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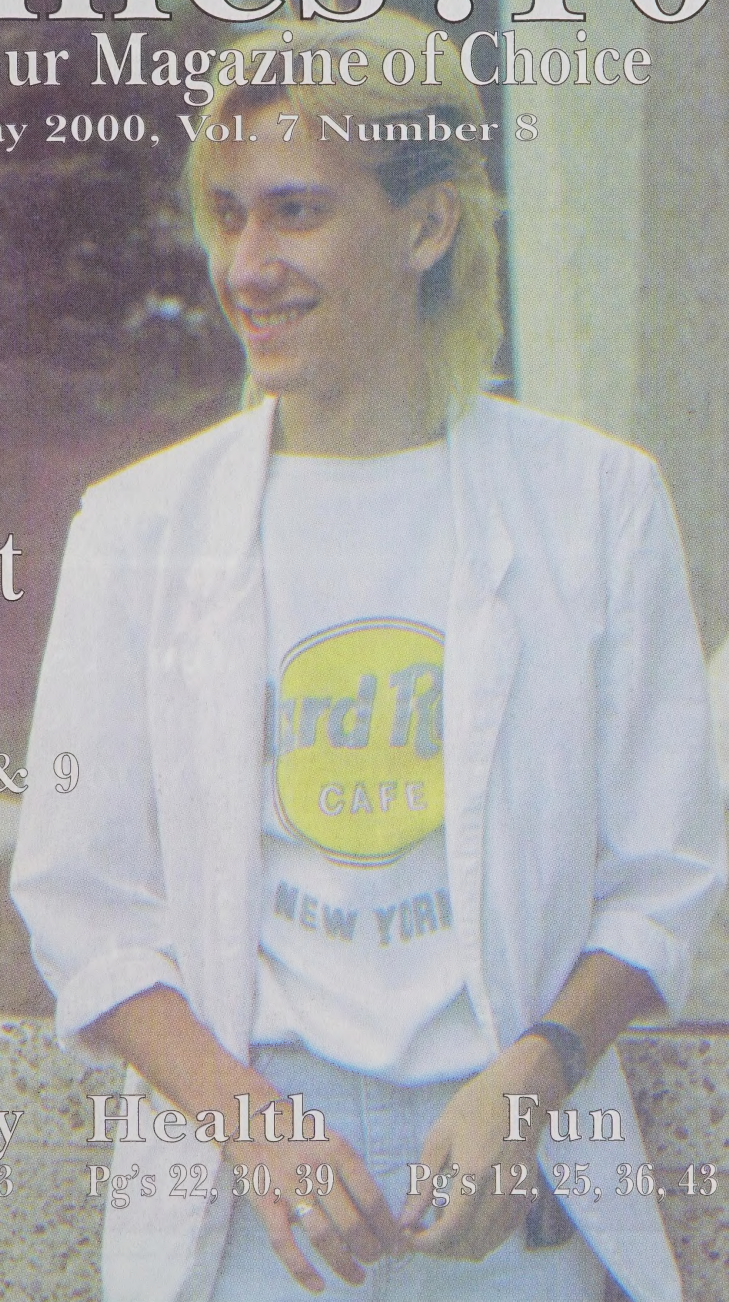
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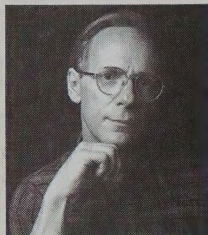
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# From the Editor

by Dennis Cambly



## Bright Eyes...

The experiences over the past couple of weeks have been nothing less than extraordinary for me. It is all about freedom to think freely. It is also about the look in people's eyes when you are willing to speak out or at least print something off the beaten track. We do tend to take a path where there is the least resistance when it comes time to do the difficult work or task. I have a questioning mind and it has put me in some less comfortable positions in my life. Maybe it was all that hippie stuff that changed my mind about whether there is an honest establishment of thought. I never closed the door on any one thought or new idea because I was told to do so. My Latin teacher could certainly give testimony to that as she ducked when I threw the Latin textbook at her. I can hear those great saying such as: "that's just the way it is" followed by even further babble. You can be sure that I am not foolish enough to believe that HIV or AIDS is not real. You can be sure that I will stand and question the method and the madness after nearly twenty years. There is also a need for the Network of organizations worldwide that work in the same field. The role has changed a lot over the years and now is the time for a real education and re-evaluation. The old messages just don't work. This is easily seen in the number of males

between 16-28 now testing HIV positive.

If science researchers and their comrades are boycotting the conference in South Africa what are they attempting to hide? Are they truly afraid that new ideas and thoughts are something to fear? What is it we have here, a scientific community made up of thoughtless minds. Alternative ideas and a search for further evidence regarding AIDS ought to be welcomed. Of the thousand interviews, discussion papers etc. that I have read over the past few years I have only found one who focuses on blame. There are people who have new ideas about the direction that the research is going. Okay, let's listen up and we may or may not find something that warrants further consideration. No one is asking people to take the affairs of this disease into their own hands and make a reckless decision. Support groups are available for help and assistance with material that is currently available.

At one time, not that long ago, you were considered a heretic if you believed that world was round and not flat. People of such enlightenment could find themselves tortured, executed, beheaded and then killed, in that order. Now moving into our 20th year of the arrival of HIV/AIDS some people have brought out the stone tablets and carved the knowledge onto them. Should anyone question these tablets, blame is cast upon them for being non-believers. Come on; let us get real about alternative thinking, as we move into the twenty-first century.

Keep on thinking free bright eyes, the web you weave will continue to baffle their silent and dulled minds.

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# FYI: News & Notes from the HIV/AIDS Battlefront

## "South African President Escalates AIDS Feud" Washington Post

South African President Thabo Mbeki believes his country should be able to seek help from scientists who deny that HIV causes AIDS, challenging the medical establishment and raising a heated dispute. In a letter to President Clinton and other leaders, Mbeki insisted that his country should meet with scientists who hold other views on Africa's AIDS epidemic, noting that it "would constitute a criminal betrayal of our responsibility to our own people" to imitate foreign methods of treating the disease. Around 4.2 million South Africans have HIV, and many officials said they were shocked that Mbeki would continue the dispute and maintain controversy over AIDS. The letter from Mbeki has not reached the public, but Assistant Secretary of State Susan Rice said much of it was logical and acknowledges the severity of the AIDS problem in Africa, specifically in South Africa. Last week, Sandra Thurman, head of the White House office of national AIDS policy met in Atlanta with South African health minister Manto Tshabalala-Msimang and Ambassador Makate Sisulu to discuss Mbeki's letter. Thurman said they discussed "how important it is to make sure we're spending most of our time and energy focused on doing the things we know how to do to stop this epidemic."

## "The Roots of AIDS" New York Times

Adrienne Germain, president of the International Women's Health Coalition, writes in a letter to the editor that, in many countries, HIV is spread through men's refusal to practice safe sex. The virus is being primarily spread in sub-Saharan Africa, for example, by men who visit prostitutes, do not use condoms, or who have several wives. Germain asserts, "We must invest in

sexuality and gender education, health information and services, education and job training for adolescents, so that girls have options and can decide whether to have sex and under what conditions." She also calls for the development of products like microbicides, which women could control.

## "Syphilis Cases Double Among Gays" Los Angeles Times

Health officials in Los Angeles County report that a syphilis outbreak among gay men in the area has doubled to 51 cases in two weeks. Peter Kerndt, director of the county's sexually transmitted diseases program, noted that 28 of the 51 men have HIV, which is particularly worrisome because syphilis sores increase the risk of HIV transmission. Five of the syphilis cases were identified in the County Jail. Last year, none of the 120 syphilis cases recorded in Los Angeles County were among gay men, suggesting a decline in safe sex practices among some gay men in the area. Michael Weinstein, president of the AIDS Healthcare Foundation, also noted that "with the [number of chlamydia] cases doubling in the last two weeks, that's pretty much proof positive there are hundreds of cases" in the county."

## "Safe Sex Message 'Lost'" BBC News Online

New statistics from Britain's Public Health Laboratory (PHLS) indicate that many young people are not practicing safe sex, as cases of sexually transmitted

diseases are on the rise. The PHLS reports that one in 10 teenagers has gonorrhea, and experts like Dr. Patrick French, a sexual health consultant in London, cite a lack of safe sex campaigns and ignorance as root causes. PHLS spokesman Dr. Mike Catchpole noted that if aggressive steps are not taken, the situation could lead to an increase in infertility and more cases of HIV.

## "Counting the Economic Cost of AIDS" Financial Times

Grim figures on the HIV epidemic—including 2.6 million deaths resulting from AIDS in 1999, at least 35 million people currently infected with HIV, and 15,000 more contracting the virus every day—were presented at the G7 finance ministers meeting at the World Bank in Washington. Not only are individual tragedies more widespread, but with 95 percent of all HIV cases occurring in developing countries, the virus' social and economic costs are devastating for nations struggling to treat infected people. The spread of HIV has become large enough to become a major issue for development policymakers at the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, who have found it difficult to convince finance ministers that AIDS is a concern for nations as a whole, not just health departments. While a number of AIDS treatments exist that prolong the life of HIV patients and improve their health for a longer period of time, few drug companies or nations have moved to make the drugs affordable for poorer countries.

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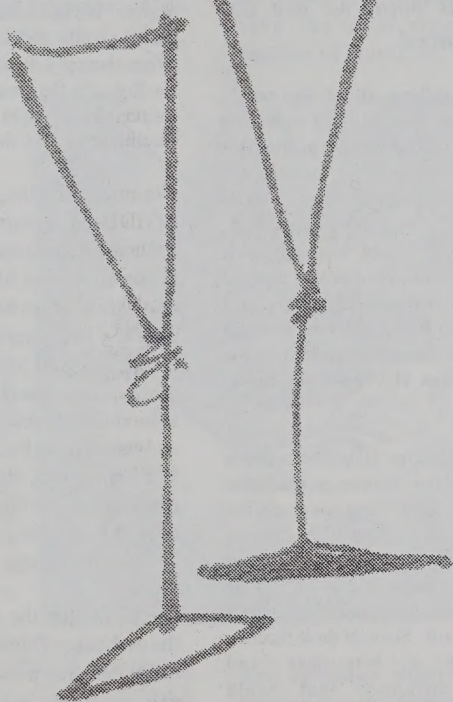
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# Trusting the Devil You Do Know Or the Devil You Don't:

*A look at what we  
Do and Don't know  
about HIV/AIDS*

*By Robert Smith,  
Health Promotions*

**HIV Edmonton**

*We're not convinced. We*

*admit that we haven't read  
all the evidence and we  
have not examined all of  
the theories being put  
forward from a firm  
scientific perspective, but  
at this point we are not  
convinced.*

We're talking about the article printed in Times.10 last month, an excerpt from an article in *The New York Press*, (vol. 13, number 10, February 2000)"The AIDS Heretics", by John Strausbaugh. The article is an interview with columnist Celia Farber, science writer Nicholas Regush and publisher Charles Ortleb, in which all three give their positions on the theory that HIV does not cause, AIDS.

What concerns HIV Edmonton is not that new theories on causation are arising and being discussed, but that within each of these theories rests a righteousness that cannot help but spur people on to changing their behaviours and letting down their guard. Some of these theories contain a bitterness and blameworthiness that could ultimately polarize communities and community service organizations, causing a breakdown in efforts to address a very real and current situation. We, as a society, cannot afford to let our guard down.

**We have to look at what we know for certain and what at this point remains far reaching and indefensible to the average individual who has mysteriously become ill in the past fifteen to eighteen years.**

We know that AIDS is real. Death

by *Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome* is real, and death is still a visitor to all communities on a global level. We also know that if we don't call "it" AIDS, we are still fighting a disease by whatever name that causes the ultimate total breakdown of the human immune system. We know that HIV attacks the T-4 cells and kills them off. When there is a significant drop in the T-4 cells the human body is no longer able to fight disease, any disease; not a cold, the flu, nothing.

We know that the introduction of certain drugs attacking different stages of development in the HIV virus has proven to reload the human body with T-4 cells and has caused, in many, a resurgence and stabilization in health. We know that these individuals are able to live active and contributing lives once again. We know, too, that the giant pharmaceuticals invested a great deal of money into finding and testing these drugs.

We know that the reduction in the exchange of blood and bodily fluids between persons in high-risk situations has proven to reduce the transmission of HIV. We know that the tests that are available for detection of HIV in the human body are reliable and that people being tested are able to pinpoint situations (pre-testing) that contributed to the likelihood of their acquiring HIV.

We know that the AIDS Service Organizations (ASOs) throughout the world sprung up in answer to a plea for help in halting the devastation in the gay/bisexual men's community.



We know that ASOs were painstakingly developed with the sweat and human investment of the very community being decimated. We know that ASOs are now answering the call once again to help halt the devastation taking its toll in all populations no matter what race, creed, colour, sexual orientation or political standing.

And finally, we know that HIV Edmonton and other ASOs are mandated to promote healthy decision making and behaviours in all communities, and being polarized from these communities, tragically, gives our message and efforts far less impact. We finally can add our message on risk and safety to one of acceptance and esteem and know that we are striking a cord in most.

**What we don't know is the cause of HIV? We don't know if it made its way to the human immune system from monkeys in Africa. We don't know if HIV was the result of a polio vaccine test gone foul. We don't know if it was a plot to rid the earth of any particular segment(s) of society. We simply don't know.**

**There have been many theories as to why HIV was readily accepted as the cause of AIDS in the early years, some of those theories border on paranoia, some border on political pronouncements. At the time, HIV appeared to have the most significant number of traceable, tenable**



**and common determinants linking it to the destruction of the human immune system.**

What we do not know is the connection between those diagnosed as HIV positive and the incidence of HHV-6 (the human herpes virus - 6) in those individuals. HHV-6 is reputed to have a greater impact on the immune system than HIV, but how many of those diagnosed, as HIV positive are also active hosts of HHV-6? We don't know the statistics linking HHV-6 to the multiple of factors contributing to AIDS.

What we don't know is how Farber, Regush, Ortleb and others can ignore and denigrate the work and progress of the ASOs by suggesting that their only reason for existing is to enhance the careers of those working in them. We don't understand how the ASOs can be accused of giving over their agendas to the giant pharmaceuticals in return for fat paychecks and stable

employment opportunities.  
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Edmonton  
and all ASOs  
in Alberta are  
non-profit  
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organizations.

What HIV Edmonton does know is that we cannot let unsubstantiated theories influence our work. At this point in time and until we have a clear understanding

of other determinants and factors contributing to AIDS, our work is clear.

**We will continue our approach of health promotion, harm reduction and providing support and advocacy to those infected and affected by HIV. We will continue to provide information through workshops and in-services and by collaborating with community organizations to halt the spread of what we have accepted as the known cause of AIDS.**



# Capital City Politics



## Affirmation of People's Efforts

*By Laurie Blakeman -  
Edmonton MLA*

I want to speak to you this month about a journey I embarked upon to get policy recognized at the annual Provincial Liberal Policy Convention held a couple of weeks ago. Julie Lloyd, my constituency president and a tireless volunteer, and the Alberta Liberal Women's Commission worked along with me on a number of resolutions that dealt with basic human rights for same sex couples.

The first resolution asked the Alberta Liberal Party to support amendments to the Alberta Legislation to include same sex couples in the definition of a partner. Under this resolution, the amendment would see same sex couples being treated fairly. The definition of a partner would

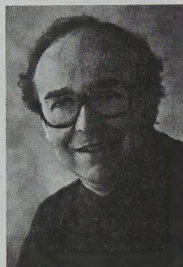
include either common law relationships or a relationship between two adults who have entered into a legal agreement with Affidavits of Execution creating legal obligations and duties. This resolution follows the recent changes approved by federal Liberals at their convention. The second resolution asked for amendments to the Human Rights Act to explicitly 'write-in' protection on the basis of sexual orientation. The third resolved that the Alberta Liberal Party would not use the "notwithstanding" clause of the Charter to allow legislation that discriminates against minority groups in Alberta.

In drafting these resolutions, Julie and I worked hard, contacting supportive folks to speak out in the debate on these policies, offering crib notes for rebuttals and lobbying people before the debate to support the resolutions.

The resolutions came up and wham, they passed. There was no debate and no one wanted to argue against the resolutions. Only one person voted against them and he did that only because he does not support unanimous passage of any resolutions. What was wonderful was that once these resolutions were passed, convention delegates broke out into spontaneous applause.

I think that the easy passage of the resolutions speaks to the importance of these policies. As an Alberta Liberal, I think the delegates believe that recognizing the rights of gays and lesbians in this province is simply the right thing to do. It is a real affirmation of the Alberta Liberal's commitment to human rights in this province. And it made me proud to sit amongst these men and women from all walks of life and all parts of the province who cheered and clapped when these resolutions passed with no debate and no argument. It's an affirmation of many people's efforts on this issue.

If you would like more information about this or any other issue, please do not hesitate to contact the Constituency office at 10042-116 Street, Edmonton, AB T5K 1V6 Phone: 414-0743, Fax: 414-0772 or e-mail: [blakeman@oanet.com](mailto:blakeman@oanet.com)



## Beware!! Stockwell Day

*By Councilor Michael Phair*

**I have heard many people, especially lesbians and gay men comment about Alberta Treasurer Stockwell Day's recent decision to run for the Alliance leadership as a good thing because 'maybe we will get rid of him here in Alberta'. In fact, I said this myself a number of times.**

**BEWARE!** I fear that if Day successfully becomes the leader of the opposition that will be much worse than having him in the provincial legislature. I think we all need to be worried and work against Mr. Day gaining a national voice.



Fundamentally, I believe that Stockwell Days' beliefs, actions and view of Canada would undermine the well being of every lesbian, gay man and bisexual in this country. I also think his views on prisoners, women and traditional family values are contrary to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and most very thing that many of us value as Canadians. To me, Mr. Day is a scary politician and I am frightened by the position and office he might achieve.

BEWARE! I am very alarmed because I think Mr. Day's chances of political success are better than I would like to believe. I am sure Mr. Day decided to go for the leadership because he found he could raise large sums of money from wealthy individuals, right wing groups and businesses. I suspect he received support from Canada's few media moguls who suggested maximum exposure. I cannot recall any politician who has neither been involved in national politics nor holds a national elected

position receive the extensive media coverage as Mr. Day! Possessing great media presence, Stockwell is portrayed as a virtual 'savior' for the Reform Party.

BEWARE! Although it is popular to say that easterners will not vote for someone who is an Alberta redneck, I do not believe that for one second! I would remind readers that the Ontario Provincial government of Mike Harris has been successfully elected twice and is only marginally more progressive than Alberta. With western Canada and Ontario support, Day and the Alliance Party may succeed more quickly than many think.

BEWARE! Most every commentator, although not all party members, has concluded that the current head of the opposition, Preston Manning must go. The pressure for a 'new, dynamic and progressive' leader is, I think, irresistible and unstoppable. If I am

correct, before summer is over Canadians may find that the leader of the Official Opposition is Mr. Day. A national election in the next twelve months, I fear, would see Mr. Day and the Alliance garner additional seats with a possibility of forming the government if the Liberals stumble. I do not see any party challenging the Liberals.

I have painted a scenario that is frightening—I know I am very concerned. So, although I detest Mr. Day's political convictions, I want him to stay in Alberta as a MLA—much worse would be the power and platform he would have as leader of the Opposition or potential Prime Minister!

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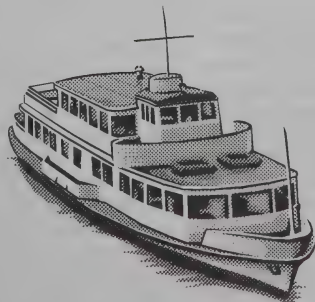
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### **Prevention Society**

The Feather of Hope was founded on a need to provide AIDS education and support to Native People in Alberta. Through education and the development of communities in partnership, it is hoped that the spread of AIDS will be lessened. Volunteers are very important to us. If you can help, or would simply like some more information, call 488-5773

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1) C-Recreation - contact Rick at 474-6785; 2) Beach (summer) - contact Rick at 474-6785; 3) B-Intermediate - contact Darcy at 425-7316; 4) Tournament - contact Andrew at 435-9379. Email: [ftb.volleyball@telusplanet.net](mailto:ftb.volleyball@telusplanet.net) Website: [www.telusplanet.net/public/aschust/ftb.htm](http://www.telusplanet.net/public/aschust/ftb.htm)

## **Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton (G.L.C.C.E.)**

The Centre provides services for the general public related to the concerns and interests of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people including peer counseling

(drop-in or phone), library, workshops, discussion / support groups, and information referrals. For information: phone 488-3234; WebPages <http://www.freenet.edmonton.ab.ca/glccc/> or e-mail

[glccc@compusmart.ab.ca](mailto:glccc@compusmart.ab.ca). Drop-in hours: Monday through Friday, 7 to 10 PM. **Gay Men's Wednesday Coffee Evenings.**

At 7:30 p.m. Café on Whyte at 10159 - 82 Avenue. This group fosters a safe, comfortable environment for all its participants. At the same time, it discourages attendance solely for sexual relations. Join us to relax, share experiences, and establish friendships. There is no age limit. Tel: 780-463-2098 (Graham) E-mail: [gwatts@freenet.edmonton.ab.ca](mailto:gwatts@freenet.edmonton.ab.ca)

Website: [www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Castro/5598](http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Castro/5598)

## **Gay Men's Outreach Crew (GMOC)**

GMOC is a peer education initiative for gay/bisexual men that works toward: preventing the spread of HIV among men who have sex with men, advocating for healthy lifestyle choices, and addressing social and health concerns by fostering self-esteem and gay positive attitudes. For information on GMOC workshops and other activities, please call Robert at (780) 488-5742

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Visit our Website at [www.hivedmonton.com](http://www.hivedmonton.com).

### **Illusions Social Club**

A social club for Cross-dressers, Transsexuals and their supporters. We hold two socials each month, one on the second Thursday and one on the third Saturday. For more information, write to Illusions Social Club. Our mailing address is Box 1852, Edmonton, T5K 2P2; or phone 488-3234 on Tuesday evenings to talk to someone person to person.

## **Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose**

The mission of the Court is to raise funds for charities and other organizations, which provide direct services to gay and lesbian individuals. Meetings of the Society are held at 8 PM on the last Wednesday of the month at the Garage. Our e-mail is: [wildrosecourt@yahoo.com](mailto:wildrosecourt@yahoo.com).

Visit our Website is at:

[www.geocities/wildrosecourt](http://www.geocities/wildrosecourt)

## **Interfaith Association on AIDS Edmonton**

The purpose of this association is to sensitize local faith communities and their leaders to the unique spiritual and emotional needs of those infected by HIV/AIDS.

The following faith communities are included: Anglican, Baha'i, Baptist, Beth Shalom Synagogue, Lutheran, Metropolitan Community Church, Roman Catholic, Temple Beth Ora, Ukrainian Catholic, Unitarian and United Churches. Phone 448-1768 for more information. Email: [mail@hivedmonton.com](mailto:mail@hivedmonton.com).

## **Lambda Christian Community Church**

We are a non-denominational evangelical Christian church. One of our primary goals is to provide a safe and affirming environment for all who desire to worship God. Lambda Community Church, 11148-84 Avenue (Garneau United Church) Edmonton, T6G 0V8. Call 474-0753. Weekly Sunday service at 7 p.m.

### **Liatris Society**

An informal social group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and straight people who enjoy gardening and outdoor nature activities. For information see [www.freenet.edmonton.ab.ca/glccc/liatris.htm](http://www.freenet.edmonton.ab.ca/glccc/liatris.htm) or contact [liatrisociety@hotmail.com](mailto:liatrisociety@hotmail.com) or William at 474-7328.

## **Liaison Committee, The**

In June of 1993, Edmonton Police Service



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and the Gay and Lesbian community met for a liaison to promote an atmosphere of understanding and mutual respect. For more info, call Edmonton Police Service at 423-4567 or contact the committee at 421-2277

## Living Positive

Emotional, spiritual and psychological support is available through Living Positive to all those affected by HIV infection. We offer strong, loving, confidential support. We also meet weekly and share our mutual experiences. Living Positive is entirely directed by and for people who share a common diagnosis of HIV+. Peer counseling, hospital visits and a speakers bureau are also available through our society. Phone 488-5768 or e-mail:

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## (MWSC)

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780.497.8511 4. Attend a practice - your first swim is free!

## Metropolitan Community Church of Edmonton (M.C.C.)

We are a local church within the denomination of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. Our major focus is to the defranchised of society. The UFMCC allows anyone to feel a part of the Christian Community and to claim our place in God's Universe. Services are open to all. We worship on Sunday evenings at 7:15 at McDougall United Church - South entrance. Please feel free to join us! Call 429-2321 for more information. E-mail:

[revbev@compusmart.ab.ca](mailto:revbev@compusmart.ab.ca)

## M.C.C. Youth Group

Provides a safe environment for gay/les/bi/trans youth to express themselves freely, explore sexuality and to experience god's/goddess' healing and wholeness. How we intend to achieve this goal is through social, recreational, educational and cultural activities. We are meeting on Tuesday

evening at 7:00 p.m. If you have any further questions please E-mail Pam at [pamjoce@telusplanet.net](mailto:pamjoce@telusplanet.net). Our phone number is 429-2321

## New Attitudes

We are a group for those of you who are in their mid-20's to mid-30's. We are here for socializing, meeting people, and just having fun. We do a coffee evening every third Sunday. Anything we plan to do is done on that night. We meet at The Urban Grind (10124-124st @ 7pm). It is an evening of relaxed chatting, and good coffee. We welcome any men or women who would like to join us. Please feel free to come on down for a night of conversation and Friendliness. E-Mail us at: [g\\_mw\\_edmonton@yahoo.ca](mailto:g_mw_edmonton@yahoo.ca)

## Northern Chaps

Edmonton's Leather - Fetish club for Gay, Lesbian, and straight men and womyn was established six years ago. We strike to educate the rest of the community through workshops, staged demonstrations and events in order to heighten awareness. Northern Chaps meets at Buddy's Dance Club, the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month. For information, e-mail us at

[Northernchaps@telusplanet.net](mailto:Northernchaps@telusplanet.net)

We also have WebPages at: <http://www.sandmproductions/northernchaps>

## Northern Titans

Northern Titans International Bowling League meets every Saturday at 5:00pm, September to April, at Reds in West Edmonton Mall. For more information, please call Garry Billett at (403) 426-

6311

## Outback Trailblazers

Formerly known as the River Valley Cyclists. The organization promotes recreational and outdoor pursuits within the gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, and transgendered communities of Edmonton and surrounding area. Future activities may include hiking, canoeing, camping, horseback riding and any other suggestions for activities are welcome. For more information, please call Dan at 440-6710 or Peter at 434-4712 or email at [danzjeep@oanet.com](mailto:danzjeep@oanet.com)

## OUTreach

OUTreach is a university-based organization for gays, lesbians and bisexuals interested in an academic atmosphere. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. on campus, main floor of the Athabasca Hall. Topics vary from week to week. Additional information is available by E-mail:

[outreach@gpu.srv.ualberta.ca](mailto:outreach@gpu.srv.ualberta.ca)

## Team Edmonton

Team Edmonton - Gay Games Association is set up to provide an opportunity for persons interested in participating in the Gay Games through fund raising. If you would like to be involved with Team Edmonton, call Johann at 437-0687.

## Yours Mine Ours And Us

Parenting support group for gblt parents, partners. Meets the first and third Wed. of the month from 7 - 9 p.m. Small donations for room costs. Issues of parenting, sharing skills, coming out to kids, discipline etc. Call Liz



at 415-5434 or Garry at 426-6311 for more information. This is peer support, not a therapy group, nor a dating service.

#### **Youth Understanding Youth**

We meet every Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton, Suite 103, 10612-124 Street. A social support group for anyone under the age of 25 years. For more information, or to give your input email: [yuyedm@hotmail.com](mailto:yuyedm@hotmail.com)

#### **Visions - Unitarian Church of Edmonton**

We are an open, liberal religious community that values diversity and celebrates our Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered members. With us, you are encouraged with open mind and heart to form your own set of personal beliefs. Sunday services at 9:30am and 11:15am. 12530 - 110 Ave, Ph. 454-8073. For more information call Mike at 482-6582.

#### **Womonspace**

We are a social and recreational society for lesbians in Edmonton. We hold monthly dances and other activities. Look for our monthly newsletter around town or phone 482-1794. Visit our Website at [www.gaycanada.com/womonspace/](http://www.gaycanada.com/womonspace/)

#### **Writers Club**

There are several successful gay writers in Edmonton. Many more write as a hobby just for the fun of it. The goal is to establish a Writers Club, which will encourage and support the serious writers of the future, and at the same time increase the pleasure of the hobbyists.

The Writers Club meets biweekly on Mondays from 7:30PM to 9:30PM. For further information, location and the next meeting date contact Graham 463-2098 or e-mail:

[gwatts@freenet.edmonton.ab.ca](mailto:gwatts@freenet.edmonton.ab.ca)

#### **Regional**

#### **Organizations**

##### **Freedom Fort McMurray**

A social Support group for Gays/Lesbian/Bisexual & Transgendered Persons and their friends. For information on upcoming events and inquiring into membership, please call our Freedom line (780) 799-GAY1 (4291). To speak directly with a welcoming committee member, call between 3-6pm on Tuesdays or Thursdays. You may mail us at Freedom Fort McMurray c/o Money Mart Suite #1, 9713 Harding St. Fort McMurray, AB T9H 1L2.

##### **Grande Prairie**

Gay and Lesbian Community Box 1492, Grande Prairie, AB T8V 4Z3

E-mail: [pellerin@gprc.ab.ca](mailto:pellerin@gprc.ab.ca)

##### **Northern Rainbow Youth**

A support group for High School students. Our email address is

[nry13\\_18@hotmail.com](mailto:nry13_18@hotmail.com)

Any high school student can get more info by contacting their school guidance counselor. If you want more info yourself, then you can call Crystal at (780) 790-0775 at work.

##### **Out North**

Box 2827, Yellowknife, NT., X1A 2R2, Phone line: 867-669-7279

Website:

[www.yellowknife.com/ptartan/outnorth.htm](http://www.yellowknife.com/ptartan/outnorth.htm)

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Great Lakes Harley Riders is a confidential international Gay/Bi Harley owners group,

with Riders on 3 continents. It was founded in 1992 for the purpose of meeting fellow Gay/Bi Harley bikers attending the 90th anniversary of Harley Davidson where it became apparent there was a need for a network.

GLHR is not a traditional riding club; rather it serves as a means to contact other Gay/bi persons who live for The Ride. All Riders are appointed President upon acceptance.

Harley bikers world wide wishing to join GLHR and all bikers seeking more information are encourage to contact The Great Lakes Harley Riders, with S.A.S.E to PO Box 341611, Milwaukee, WI, 53234-1611. E Mail, BootedHOG@aol.com or visit the GLHR Website at: <http://fp.premier1.net/hdriders>

## Edmonton Rainbow Business Association

### May Mixer and Meeting

Guests Welcome!

Time: 7:00 P.M.

**Date: Tuesday May 9, 2000**

At: Bloomsbury Room

(above Orlando's Bookstore, 10123

Whyte Ave., use door east of Orlando's main entrance)

Note: ERBA mixers and meetings are the now held on the second Tuesday of each month. Call Barb at 448-3660 or Bill at 422-6207 for more info or to confirm time and location for upcoming meetings.

### Flamingo Fair 2000

## Art/Business Fair

**Saturday, June 17, 2000**

**The Citadel Theatre (Atrium)**

ERBA proudly presents its second annual Flamingo Art / Business Fair, to be held in conjunction with the Flamingo Fair Dance to wind up Pride Week, 2000. The Fair is open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with Pride awards and the dance to follow at 8:00 p.m. Last year's inaugural event was a fabulous success with 36 tables. This year, we have 40 tables available on first come, first location basis (limited electrical connections available). Please book early to guarantee your choice of locations on the beautiful, accessible main floor area of the Citadel Theatre's Atrium. As this is a Pride 2000 event, it will be advertised extensively in local and regional publications. Participants are responsible for decorating their own tables, which will be supplied by ERBA. Each table requires a current ERBA membership (\$15.00 for the period June 1, 2000 - September 30, 2000) and the table cost is \$35.00. Non-profit tables are a flat \$15.00. All fees are due and payable with the application and no space will be reserved without payment in full. Please note that this is a public event and ERBA reserves the right to ensure that no tables contain displays that are offensive. Please mail this form with your cheque to ERBA, #930, 10020-101A Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5J 3G2, and Attention: Bill Faulkner. A confirmation of your table registration will be forwarded to you. Contact Bill Faulkner at 422-6207 for more information. **THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MAY 15, 2000, SO DON'T DELAY, REGISTER TODAY!**

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These wonderful achievements and other historic battles fought by the likes of Jim Egan, Delwin Vriend, and many other heroic women and men form the basis for our yearly Pride celebrations. Last year's events were, by all accounts, a huge success. This year's planned festivities should also prove to be a great week of celebration and fun.

## Confirmed events

Pride Week will kick-off on June 10 with a fabulous parade starting at Grant Nottley Park at 5:30 p.m. Pink Slipper prizes for the most prideful individual or group will be awarded. Floats and ceremonial speeches and celebrations will highlight this annual event. Everyone is welcome to take part by marching, performing, or entering a float in the parade. The parade theme is colourful. This is your chance to get creative. Express yourself.

Starting on Thursday June 15th we have an Internationally acclaimed gay artist here for three days. A special event for Steve Walker will be held at Cafe de Ville on Thursday from 6 PM to closing. This will be followed by an art Show at the Citadel Theatre on Friday from 3 - 8 PM. Steve will also be participating in the Rainbow Business Fair on Saturday and will be at the dance on Saturday night. More information can be obtained by calling Times .10 at 415-5616.

The week of fun will end on June 17 with a day-long business fair sponsored by the

Edmonton Rainbow Business Association (this is your chance to meet and support the business people who support our community), the Pride Awards presentation, and a giant all ages dance. All events will take place at The Citadel Theatre. Watch for the posters advertising ticket sales appearing soon.

Watch for more details on these and other Pride 2000 events in the June issue of this publication. And keep an eye out for the Pride 2000 program available May 15 courtesy of Times .10.

## Getting involved

If your community group or organization would like to plan an event or activity, please contact Rhonda at 434-5817 by May 3 to have your event included in the Pride program.

If you'd like to lend a hand this year

by volunteering to help out at an event, please call Shannon at 988-8167. Volunteers help make Pride a great success.

## Sponsors

We'd like to thank our sponsors Michael Phair, Down Under, Times .10, and Pink Triangle Press/Cruiseline for their support of Pride 2000.

Pride 2000 loonie bins will be appearing soon in community businesses. Give a buck for Pride. Last year over 3,000 people took part in Pride events, many of which are free. Imagine what we could do if each of us gave one dollar to support Pride activities!

For more information, contact Rhonda at 434-5817 or [undawear@chickmail.com](mailto:undawear@chickmail.com).

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April 19, 2000

AN OPEN LETTER OF INVITATION.

The time has come to plan your organization's entry in this year's Pride Parade, Show A Little Colour. The parade will start at 5:30 pm on Saturday, June 10, 2000 at Grant Nottley Park (116 Street and 100 Avenue). The end of the route is Oliver Park and Arena (103 Avenue & 118 Street). There is no need to contact us about your entry—just show up by 4:30pm to ensure your entry is judged (judging ends at 5:00pm).

The organizers of this year's Pride Parade are hoping to eclipse the success of last year's parade, so we are offering a little extra incentive this year. There will be two categories of prizes for entries that go that extra mile to show our pride.

- The Pink Slipper Awards: There are two cash awards of \$200 each in this category. All eligible entries will be adjudicated before the parade. The categories are Express Video's Most Flamboyant (the float that shows the most colour) and the Roost's Most Decorative (the most decorative float with a shoestring budget).
- The Pink Rosette Awards: Roving celebrity judges will be eye-balling the participants in the parade and will pin a Pink Rosette on the chest on some of the most eye-catching individual entries. In addition to the unique Pride rosette, winners will receive a book, donated by David McGill.

The committee will assemble a panel of celebrity judges, who will be very fair, but partial to the pride theme. Their decisions will be final.

We hope your organization will participate in the 2000 Pride Parade and help build our community spirit as we all Show A Little Colour.

If you have questions about the Parade, contact Michael Phair.

Yours in pride,

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# Interview with Kary Mullis

## Aids: Words from the Front

By Celia Farber

Kary Mullis, winner of the 1993 Nobel Prize in chemistry, has rocked the world of science with his party-boy surfer demeanor. Now he's ready to take on the AIDS establishment. Celia Farber talks to the rebel genius.

Mullis, who has been described in the press as possessing a "creative nonconformity that verges on the lunatic," struck me as a person with a pure and insatiable curiosity. He had as many questions for me as I had for him. For instance, by the end of the interview, I recall him asking me to articulate why it would matter if I were to discover that the hotel lobby, the bar, the bartender, the drinks, and our conversation had all been an electronic mirage.

Mullis' invention of the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) won him the Nobel Prize in chemistry in 1993. PCR is a remarkably simple, yet revolutionary, method of selectively multiplying and mass-producing specific DNA segments in just hours. Previously, DNA could be multiplied, but not isolated, and it is in the isolation that the revolutionary kernel lies. Scientists can now undertake everything from detecting hereditary cancers, to solving impossible murder mysteries, to retracing the very depths of evolution. The London Observer trumpeted: "Not since James Watt walked across Glasgow Green in 1765 and realized that the secondary steam condenser would transform steam power, an inspiration that set loose the industrial revolution, has a single, momentous idea

been so well recorded in time and place." PCR has also had a great impact on the field of AIDS, or rather, HIV research. PCR can, among other things, detect HIV in people who test negative to the HIV antibody test.

Mullis, like does not believe that AIDS is caused by the retrovirus HIV. He is long-standing member of the Group for the Reappraisal of the HIV-AIDS Hypothesis, a growing protest organization pushing for a re-examination of the cause of AIDS. Mullis challenged the popular wisdom that the disease-causing mechanisms of HIV are simply too "mysterious" to comprehend. "The mystery of that damn virus," he said at the time, "has been generated by the billions of dollars a year they spend on it. You take any other virus, and you spend billions, and you can make up some great mysteries about it too."

Like so many great scientific discoveries, the ideas for PCR came suddenly, as if by direct transmission from another realm. It was during a late-night drive in 1984, the same year, ironically, that HIV was announced to be the "probable" cause of AIDS. "I was just driving and thinking about ideas and suddenly I saw it," Mullis recalls. "I saw the polymerase chain reaction as clear as if it were up on a blackboard in my head, so I pulled over and started scribbling." A chemist friend of his was asleep in the car and, as Mullis described in a special edition of *Scientific American*: "Jennifer objected groggily to the delay and the light, but I exclaimed I had discovered something fantastic. Unimpressed, she went back to sleep."

Mullis kept scribbling calculations, right there in the car, until the formula for DNA amplification was complete. The calculation was based on the concept of "reiterative exponential growth processes," which Mullis had picked up from working with computer programs. After much table pounding, he convinced the small California biotech company he was working for, Cetus, that he was onto something. They sold the patent for PCR to Hoffman-LaRoche for a staggering \$300 million - the most money ever paid for a patent. Mullis meanwhile, received a \$10,000 bonus.

Our talk focused on AIDS. Though Mullis has not been particularly vocal about his HIV skepticism, his convictions have not, to his credit, been muddled or softened by his recent success and mainstream acceptability. He seems to revel in his newly acquired power. "They can't pooh-pooh me now, because of who I am," he says with a chuckle - and by all accounts, he's using that power effectively.

When ABC's *Nightline* approached Mullis about participating in a documentary on him, he instead urged them to focus their attention on the HIV debate. "That's a much more important story," he told the producers, who up to that point had never acknowledged the controversy. In the end, *Nightline* ran a two-part series, the first on Kary Mullis, the second on the HIV debate. ABC hired Mullis for a two-week period, to act as their scientific consultant and direct them to sources.

The show was superb, and represented a historic turning point, possibly even the end of the seven-year media blackout on the HIV debate. But it still didn't fulfil Mullis' ultimate fantasy. "What ABC needs to do," says Mullis, "is talk to [Chairman of the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) Dr. Anthony] Fauci and [Dr. Robert] Gallo [one of the discoverers of HIV] and show that they're assholes, which I could do in ten minutes." But, I point out, Gallo will refuse to discuss the HIV debate, just as he's always done.

"I know he will," Mullis shoots back, anger rising in his voice. "But you know what? I would be willing to chase the little bastard from his car to his office and say, 'This is Kary Mullis trying to ask you a goddamn simple question,' and let the cameras follow. If people think I'm a crazy person, that's okay. But here's a Nobel Prize winner trying to ask a simple question from those that spent \$22 billion and killed 100,000 people. It has to be on TV. It's a visual thing. I'm not unwilling to do something like that."

"I am waiting to be convinced that we're wrong," Mullis continues. "I know it



ain't going to happen. But if it does, I will tell you this much - I will be the first person to admit it. A lot of people studying this disease are looking for the clever little pathways they can piece together, that will show how this works. Like, 'What if this molecule was produced by this one and then this one by this one, and then what if this one and that one induce

this one' - that stuff becomes, after two molecules, conjecture of the rankest kind. People who sit there and talk about it don't realize that molecules themselves are somewhat hypothetical, and that their interactions are more so, and that the biological reactions are even more so. You don't need to look that far. You

don't discover the cause of something like AIDS by dealing with incredibly obscure things.

Commenting on the hostility with which these ideas are met, Mullis says, "People don't want to hear from somebody like me who's not a member of their society. They say to me, 'You don't know shit about this, Mullis.' People say to me, 'How many people have you seen die of this disease?' They say, 'You don't know what causes it because you've never watched them die.'"

Then the anger kicks in again. "Do we care about these people that are HIV-positive whose lives have been ruined? Those are the people I'm the most concerned about. Every night I think about this. I think, what is my interest in this? Why do I care? One of my girlfriend's brothers died of it, and I think he died of AZT."

At this point, Mullis voice starts to crack. "The horror of it is every goddamn thing you look at, if you look at it through the glasses that you've developed through looking at this thing, seems pretty scary to me. Look at the oncogene people and I go, oh yeah, I know what they are doing. Same stuff. Oncogenes don't have anything to do with cancer. Radiation probably doesn't have anything to do with stopping cancer. The drugs that we use on people - all those goddamn horrible poisons - they're no less toxic than AZT. And we are doing it to everybody. Everybody's aunt is being radiated once a goddamn month and given drugs that are going to kill

her. We're dealing with a bunch of witch doctors. The whole medical profession - except for the people that patch you up when you get a broken leg or you have a pummeling problem. It's just a bunch of people that have become socially important and very rich by thinking about the fact that they might be able to cure the diseases that actually cause people in our society to die. It's scary, that's what it is."

He takes a deep breath, and I realize that on the other end of the phone, Kary Mullis, Nobel laureate, pioneer of the DNA revolution, has started to cry. "God, I hate this kind of crap. I really don't want to write about it. I'd like to write about something that's easy to write about, where you don't have to come up with a conclusion in the end. I've been writing about my boyhood, when I was a little kid back on my grandfather's farm where we didn't know about black widow spiders or all that stuff. But writing about that is so easy. Sometimes in the morning, when it's a good surfer, I go out there, and I don't feel like it's a bad world. I think it's a good world, the sun is shining. I'm really optimistic in the mornings. It's just thinking about this issue, it just drives me to - I'm making tears thinking about it. I don't see how to deal with it. I can't possibly write a book that will describe it to somebody. You can't do a damn 22.8-minute TV thing that is going to have any effect except to get somebody to shoot through my window and hit me. I feel like I'm on a hostile planet."

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HIV Edmonton will be having its Annual General Meeting on June 19th at the Unitarian Church at 7 PM. Everyone is welcome. At that time, they will be awarding the Community Service Award. Nominations are currently being accepted by Cheryl Querengesser, Vice-Chair at HIV Edmonton, #600 10242 - 105 Street, Edmonton. The Community Service Award is presented to an individual for an outstanding community AIDS/HIV contribution.

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# Speaking Of Normal

By Liz Massiah, MSW, RSW  
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She said "If you don't start giving me orgasms, the relationship is over". Her partner wondered what to do - more of this, less of that - and felt incredibly pressured. So much for spontaneity.

Another day, another person ... "Being gay is not about wanting to have sex with a same gender person, it's about being emotionally involved with the same gender."

Another day ... a slim young woman has fat lipo suctioned from her tummy in hopes of attracting a new lover, and then worries about plastic surgery to remove the loose skin left over from the removal of the fat.

It must be spring: everywhere people are talking about sex and bodies. And it's not just people: the magazines have started talking about getting in shape for summer, which seems to me as though it's still about sex and bodies, only cleverly (?) disguised as talking about fitness. Or maybe it's just me: I'm very aware these days that I'm not nearly the same shape I was twenty years ago, and that there is certainly more of my partner than when we started out twelve years ago.

All things considered, though, I suspect that questions about our bodies and sex have to do with all of the above: awareness of what society says we should be ... awareness of what our instincts tell us we need, and what we're comfortable with ... and awareness of what our partners seem to desire. When any or all of these "awareness-es" don't converge into perfect physical, sexual, desired harmony, we get the desire for "more orgasms", a thinner tummy, or any of the other expressions of physical discontent we all run into at one time or another.

Recently I was reading a book on personal boundaries and it had an interesting chapter on bodies. Part of the notion was

that we need to treat ourselves as our own best friends. So, if our body is our own best friend, if it's where we live and hang out all our lives, why do we keep rejecting it for being a real body, with warts, farts, bumps, wrinkles, a few extra pounds and all?

Now I'm not suggesting for a moment that attractiveness is not relevant. But if we want to treat our bodies as our friends - an idea which makes some sense to me - why would we think badly of it when it's less than perfect? Why would we want to hurt it, to change it permanently, to reject its inborn tendencies as dastardly?

To take the idea a bit further: next time you think that you're only "beddable" if you're "fabulous", take a second and check out what's happening in your heart and soul. Firstly, what beliefs are in charge to make you think or feel that way? And then secondly, when you've begun to get some answers to those questions, ask yourself what might happen to those beliefs if you took a bit more notice of all the "less than perfect" couples around who obviously adore one another. Like my ninety year old father and his eighty four year old wife, who cuddled so delightedly when I took them out for their fifth anniversary last year that the waiter and I both blushed. The intimacy was so strong in that cuddle that we both felt like we were invading a very private, very special place.

Maybe that's the key issue in all of this: intimacy, with our own bodies and those of other people. At this point I imagine you asking: is it possible for one to be intimate with one's own body? If you define intimacy as feeling safe enough to be comfortable expressing all the things you are, then I think it's very possible indeed ... which means its also possible that our difficulties with our bodies are at least partly about not feeling quite safe, or comfortable, enough.

To look at it another way: "How can you want to wake up beside someone who isn't gorgeous?" is a theme that often shows up in my therapeutic discussions with gay men. Such notions, also common to a lot of non-gay male people with

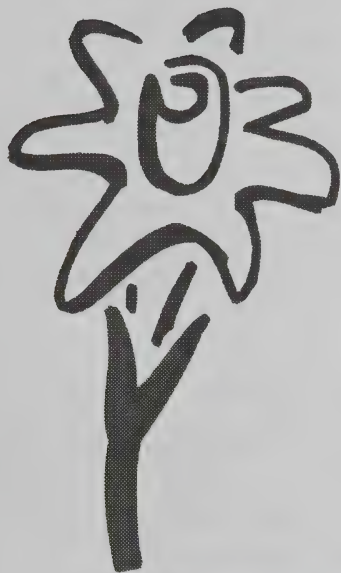
whom I work, are so dominant that we assume they are usual and helpful. Experience has shown me, though, that such comments often come from a very different place: that we deal with our discomfort with our own bodies by demanding impossible perfection of any body, ours or another's. We are often quite afraid of our physicality, shamed by nonsensical standards taught to us by parents, grandparents, high school locker rooms (for both genders), glamour mags (ditto), television, movies, you name it ... ! That it's easier to focus on the body and not pay attention to the issues inside, when in fact it's those inside issues that really need the examination.

And then there are questions related to abuse, physical or sexual or emotional. People who've been abused often have frightful troubles with their bodies, which often turn out to be a response to the emotional/spiritual damage that's been done. In fact, it seems that even with the most gorgeous people, while sexual problems and body problems sometimes do connect to "plumbing issues", more often these problems boil down to issues connected with being open, vulnerable, and truly intimate. The trick, therefore, is to find a way to be comfy in our bodies to the point that we're comfy with what's inside as well ... in other words, our bodies feel safe enough for our souls to be intimate, and vice versa.

There's a therapeutic technique I've suggested that couples try, and it's often had fascinating results. If one of you is having difficulty with physical comfort and/or pleasure, ask your partner to take a bit of your favourite lotion and rub it in a one inch circle on a neutral part of your body. Slowly add more area over the next days and/or weeks. It's wonderful how this simple, and often quite fun, little task often kickstarts huge change, as old beliefs about attractiveness and body image are chased away by the simple caring and respect and trust the task entails.

Even if you haven't been abused, try it - and then reverse roles - and see what happens to your notions of befriending your body.





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Try this quiz:

1. Name the ten wealthiest people in the world.
2. Name the last ten Heisman trophy winners.
3. Name the last ten winners of the Miss America contest.
4. Name eight people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer prize.
5. How about the last ten Academy Award winners for best picture.
6. Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

## How did you do?

The point is, none of us remember the headliners of yesterday. These are no second-rate achievers. They are the best in their fields. But the applause dies. Awards tarnish. Achievements are forgotten. Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

## Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one:

1. Think of three people you enjoy spending time with.
2. Name ten people who have taught you something worthwhile.
3. Name five friends who have helped you in a difficult time.
4. List a few teachers who have aided your journey through school.
5. Name half a dozen heroes whose stories have inspired you.

## Easier?

The lesson? The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the credentials, but the ones that care.

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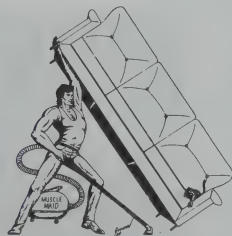
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# My Monthly Neurosis

By Rob Browatzke

Spring is in the air, or at least it would be if we could ever kick the last few bits of winter. As the snow melts, as the air warms, as the days grow ever longer, life returns. Spring fever is a wonderful thing. People are out more. Bars and baths are busier, the streets are filled with people enjoying the change of season. People who've been hiding for months come out, ready to face a new summer of adventure and chance. Music is louder, food tastes better, the sky has never been so blue. It's a time for being twitter-pated, for being swept off your feet by that special someone. It's a time to truly enjoy being alive.

And yet, even as I see energy and vitality returning all around me, I see so many people wallowing in depression. Perhaps winter's hold has not loosened sufficiently yet for them to embrace the Spring. Perhaps they realize how safe and sheltered they were in their hibernation. Perhaps they see the same life I do, and don't know how to participate in that renewal.

Perhaps that's because this is also the time for Spring-cleaning. I don't just

mean clearing away the garbage from your apartment. I mean cleaning the garbage away from your life. January 1 is held to be the day for resolutions, for fresh starts, for new beginnings, but really, changing the direction of your life can be done any day. If things have stopped working, if you're finding yourself more and more often questioning where you're going, it is never too late to stop and ask for directions.

Spring has always been a time of reflection for me. Every year around this time, with my birthday around the corner, I take a few quiet moments to cuddle up with my journal and do an inventory on what I have going well for me in life, and what could be going better. This year is no exception. This year though, because of all the new people I've met and new issues I've faced in the past year, this annual life overhaul is proving to be even more exhaustive. Still though, it is something that I find necessary. It's all too easy to coast through life, giving scant thought to where you'll be when the ride is over.

It isn't a time to wallow in misery over past mistakes. There's no point in regretting what is unchangeable. Learn what you can from the mistakes you've made and move on. Life is too short to focus on what might have been or what should have been done instead. I know it seems

like life can last forever, especially on these crisp mornings when the sun pokes through in its brilliant golden warmth, choirs of birds singing their merry songs, greenery returning all around. Still that wake-up call can come at any time, and there's no point in hitting "SNOOZE" and rolling over for another ten minutes of unconsciousness.

It's springtime in the city, and it's a fabulous time to be alive. "Seize every opportunity." "Make the most out of every moment of every day." "Anything is possible." They're the calling cards of a Hallmark/12-Step alliance but in their triteness, they also present a truth. Life is ours for the taking. Just go outside and deeply breathe in the freshness of the air.

That is a freshness you can bring into every aspect of your life if you want to. It is never too late to make that change you've been avoiding in winter lethargy. It is never too late to tell that person you love them. It is never too late to tackle that challenge or open that door on opportunity.

Embrace the Spring. Feel the sun on your face as you stare into a future that holds everything you want it to hold. Make it happen. Break free from monochrome monotony and taste all the sweet potential that Spring has to offer. The decisions you make today can leave you existing in Kansas, or whisk you away to a Technicolor world of yellow bricks and emerald dreams.

Cheers.

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# Bi-Line

## Romy and Michele's High School Reunion

If you never thought this one would warrant comment in a gay mag, you might be right. But maybe not. This is one of my favorite fun titles. Gay content?—I'm convinced it's a covert story of bisexuality; why, just look at the cover-art, and never mind the story! Essentially though, this is a great story about love and friendship and, in this case, love and friendship between two women.

Be forewarned though: this has 'Valley Girl'-speak!! And Lisa Kudrow (tv's Friends) is a natural.

Romy (Mira Sorvino) and Michele (Kudrow) are best friends forEver, and want to go to their '70s high school reunion. Only problem is, they were outcasts in high school, haven't gone anywhere in life since, and this needs to change like, duh!...before they get to the reunion! Some of their attempts are achingly pathetic, but not because they're small-thinkers. Rather, they're sort of like thoughts without the

thinker...enroute to the reunion, Romy decides to tell her former class-mates that it's true—she was the one who invented those little yellow Post-It notes!

I won't detail the story itself, but some of the costumes—yikes! Wonky, wild and colorful! Though she's blissfully unaware that she is stuck in fashion-hell, Michele sews their clothing for the reunion and unbelievably, it works. Every adult should honor the courage and imagination of their inner-child like Michele can't help but do for hers!

I will also add that the story is told in flash-back, and Janine Garofalo's character (I loved her all to pieces!) seems to be the real epitome of this film, in microcosm. For the record, Romy and Michele are only one level of reality; it's all in the perception. It must be said, though, that as a time period, the '70s never should have happened, no matter how they're perceived!

So. Ever felt left out in high school and wanted to get even? Or ever loved a friend enough to do really dumb things just because you love your friend? Romy and Michele's High School Reunion will do it for you,

without the consequences. Ever just simply wished you knew how endless the possibilities of life really could be? This high school reunion is a great place to start!

There is some nice slick editing, and yes, some very obvious set-ups, but so what? You'll be surprised, even laughingly shocked, and maybe even wondering what really

happened back there...but stay to the end. It's a happy one. The music is great, the dance is TOO funny, and everyone, everyone! gets their just rewards.

I can't put a rainbow on this one: in all honesty, for most people it's a bit of a stretch, but hey...it's there.

*Narda*

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**Morgan D. Refshaug**

P.S. The more you send us, the bigger and better THE NEST (which is yours) will become.

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## Lonely Angel

I stand here on this lonely street  
the darkness takes control of me.  
I don't know where I went wrong  
I don't care if this who I should be  
It's a prison no one will defeat.

Searching for who I might find  
and to leave this bloody life behind  
I'm gonna get somewhere  
And no one will really care  
If I live or die.

Lonely angel  
trying to find the way  
Crossing through the passing tears  
that call out her name  
Lonely angel

It won't be easy but its trail I have to find  
It won't be long now 'til I leave the past behind.

**John Holman**

## In The Past: Appear In Present

.... Two years later.

There is a Summer House party being given by James's wild party. All the people and friends are cheerful and laughing in the house. There is James,

to the floor. Everyone's eyes shift to the guy standing above the broken beer glass.

He starts to remember what happened two years ago. James looks down, his breathing rapid. Sweat

begins to form on his face. He picks up a napkin to cover his face, but Patrick walks straight up to James and slaps his face, saying, "Thanks a lot for making me so frightened that I had to go to a counselor for help." James's

face becomes red with embarrassment in front of his friends. People are staring at him.

"I am sorry about what happened two years ago but your conversation seemed to encourage me," explains James.

Patrick now begins to realize that maybe his conversation really had caused all the trouble. "I am sorry," he says, "is your face hurt?"

James says, "That's okay, it was my fault too." Now

The beer he's holding falls





the people clap and go back to partying. James and Patrick begin to talk and laugh. They forgive each other for what happened two years ago! James asks him what happened after he left? Patrick tells him that he went to a counselor and began to feel better and have more faith in himself. Then I fell in love with Barry. James is shocked because Barry is his brother! They laugh, and sigh....

They get along and become friends.... Maybe more than a friend

*Colbert L. Bell*

## **Crystal Velvet Waters**

*Morgan D. Refshauge*

As we sailed into those into those crystal velvet waters

On that moon-drenched night

I could feel him

Burning deep inside me

The ocean seemed to sing

As two lovers danced  
The lovers dance of love

I could see the sense of urgency

That plagued his eyes  
Silently he spoke the words

I understood

It had come to the end

Our own private  
Armageddon  
The pillars up-holding  
the our heavens  
Had crumbled  
He could no longer  
continue

In our secret world  
I died on *his* deathbed  
As the lilies faded  
And as they carried him  
away

I could say only

I love him

I love him

I love him

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## **Spider Queen**

Like a spider you spin  
your web  
Waiting for your finest

hour,  
Your kiss is as deadly  
As a poison flower,  
Your whispers are  
heard loud and clear,  
Yet you have no fear.  
The truth hidden and  
locked in your web,  
Yet soon all your lies  
will be exposed,  
As you wait for your  
prize.  
You know deep down  
inside,  
That one day the lies  
that you have told  
Will all be undone  
And so will the web you  
spun.

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# Breaking Away

Okay, I know we already did Florida a couple of months ago when we introduced you to Key West, but we felt that this annual Florida event may be worth telling you about. With a name like Gay Days 2000, you may think its just another party revolving around music, dancing, beautiful bodies, and fun. Au contraire! Of course Gay Days 2000 includes all of these things, but only in addition to so much more.

Started in 1991, Gay Days originally comprised of Gay & Lesbian Day at the Magic Kingdom, and was meant to be a supplement to Orlando's Gay & Lesbian Pride Week. As it was not possible to rent the park for the event, gay men and lesbians were encouraged to show up at Disney World wearing bright red in order to stand out from heterosexual park patrons. After nine years of effort, and the help of heavy media hype, Gay & Lesbian Day at the Magic Kingdom turned into a week-long event with world-wide acclaim. Attendance soared from approximately 2500 patrons in 1991, to an expected 150,000 for this years 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The main attraction to this event always has been, and remains to be, Gay Day at Walt Disney World, which will take place June 3, 2000. Celebrations get underway;

however, four days earlier with the Kickoff Kickass Kocktail Party. From that point on, celebrations take place throughout the entire region, including Gay Day at Busch Gardens, Gay Day at Sea World, Gay Day Around The World (EPCOT), Gay Day at Universal Studios and Gay Day at Cirque du Soleil. The main theme surrounding all of these is quite simply having a good time among friends. Visiting attractions, thrill seeking on the many rides, and taking in the overall scenery will be your main reasons for attending.

There are several more events taking place in the days surrounding Gay Day 2000. Gay Days Savoir Fair 2000 is an exhibition comparable to a trade show, but with exhibits being oriented much more around fun than business. Youth wanting to meet others in their own age group will want to head to Cinderella's Castle on June 3, where a meeting point has been set up. Bears also have their own meeting place in the Magic Kingdom. What more appropriate place for this than at the Country Bear Jamboree.

Nightlife during Gay Days 2000 comes in all shapes and sizes. Everything from nightclubs to major organized parties featuring world renowned DJs. A must do at least once during your stay is a visit to Downtown Disney Pleasure Island.

Expect this entertainment complex to be packed for the entire weekend, but well worth forging the crowds for. Parties taking place include Beach Ball 4 (taking place at Typhoon Lagoon, with an over 5500), Magic Journeys 3 (an all night party ending at 7am, taking place three times throughout Gay Days 2000), The Elements Party (a high energy dance party with plenty of live performances), and One Mighty Party 4 (a Jeffrey Sanker production taking place on Hollywood Boulevard at Disney-MGM Studios). The weekend finale takes place on Sunday with The Colosseum Party 2. This is actually two parties in one, the first of which is a laser,

light and music show held at the Hard Rock Live Concert Coliseum. The second is a huge dance party held in the Hard Rock Café (the world's largest) with host DJ Rob Davis from Sydney.

Those looking for a little extra may want to participate in a four day cruise aboard the Disney Magic. Passengers will stop at Port of Nassau in the Bahamas and at Castaway Cay, Disney's own private island. This cruise is heavily attended by gay men and lesbians looking to extend their vacation by a few days, so be aware that it sells out fast.

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Not interested in Gay Day 2000, but still interested in Florida? Try BeachFest 2000: America's Gay Spring Break, taking place May 5-7, 2000. BeachFest may suit the needs of anyone looking for a somewhat active weekend getaway. Activities include a lunch cruise, a midnight movie by the beach, and pretty much any water sport you can think of. If you are yearning for a little competition, try your luck at the World's Largest Twister Game, the third annual Beauty & the Beach contest, the BeachFest Volleyball Invitational, the BeachFest Spring Scramble (golf tournament), or the Sand Castle Contest. Of course music, dance and parties are everywhere.

Anyone planning to attend

Gay Day 2000, please be aware that line ups will be very long at almost all venues you choose to visit. This includes theme parks as well as nightclubs and parties. This combined with average temperatures of up to 29°C,



could make you very irritable. As it is not a good idea to have 150,000 irritated gay men and lesbians in one place, please dress accordingly. A good pair of

shorts and a light t-shirt should suffice. Please also note that Disney World has a strict dress code in place for all visitors to the park. Shirts are a must, and costumes are a definite no-no. Be prepared to be asked to turn your t-shirt inside out if it contains any type of derogatory statements or pictures. One other important note: if you plan to attend any of the parties or nightclubs, **BRING YOUR ID.** It is said that anyone looking under 30 will be asked for ID.

Please remember that while this is a great venue for gay's and lesbians from around the world to meet and have a great time, the benefits of

Disney World can be seen year round. We have used this article to highlight the events of a major gay and lesbian vacation, but we definitely do not feel that this is the only time for a gay man or lesbian to visit the park. Of course the parties and the bright red t-shirts will not be seen in such great numbers, but the excitement of being a child again will certainly be worth the trip at any time of the year.

**Travel Trivia** - Disneyland in Anaheim, California also has a Gay Day held in October of each year. How many years has this event taken place?

**Answer** - 2 (The year 2000 will mark it's 3<sup>rd</sup> year as an "unofficial" Gay Day)

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## News from the Centre

By Kristy Harcourt  
G.L.C.C.E.'s  
administrator

The month of May at the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton is basically a time of Spring-Cleaning. With so many excellent Pride Week events being held at, or connected to, the Centre, the board, and volunteers I are working at sprucing up the place. The board is looking ahead at the Centre's upcoming programs, including very exciting new community-based Gay Men's HIV Outreach. Volunteers are checking to make sure our many resource and referral contacts are up to

date, and helping me to develop our resource library wish lists.

G.L.C.C.E. strives to act as a hub of this community – collecting information about many of our vital community groups and passing it on to the callers and drop in visitors. Whether it's information about support services, sports outlets, bars or churches, we've got the information down at The Centre. Recently, with the help of Jeff, one of our many exceptional volunteers, our Internet WebPages have a new look and we're working to make sure that all of its information is up to date. We invite members of this city's many community groups to check out our listings and let us know if they need any changes. Check out the site online at [www.edmc.net/glcce](http://www.edmc.net/glcce), and email us changes [glcce@compusmart.ab.ca](mailto:glcce@compusmart.ab.ca) or come down during evening hours (7-10pm Monday through Friday)

and look at the WebPages printout. Then if your group's listing ought to be changed, fill out the little form next to the printout and let us know what you'd like the listing to say. With the community's input, our WebPages will be all spruced up for Pride.

Thanks to Orlando Books for their help on The Centre's Wishlist. A monthly list of books we'd love to be able to offer in the lending library, - an excellent source of gay and lesbian fiction, and of resource books about GLBT related issues. Let the staff at Orlando Books, 10123 Whyte Avenue, know that you're buying them for The Centre and you'll get 10% off the purchase. Thanks to the sweet souls who bought "My Gender Workbook" and "So Your Child is Gay". Our current wish list consists of:

**Free Your Mind** – Ellen Bass' excellent book for gay and lesbian youth allies (\$20.00)

**The Hours** – Winner of the 1999 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction by the openly gay Michael Cunningham (\$19.99)

**Am I Blue? Coming Out of the Silence** – a short story anthology about GLBT youth. (\$7.95)

**Belinda's Bouquet** by Leslea Newman – a children's picture book about body image (with a positive portrayal of lesbian moms). (\$6.95)

The Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton, Open 7 – 10 PM - Monday - Friday,  
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### *"Men, HIV and Harm Reduction"*

The focus in HIV/AIDS prevention campaigns has traditionally been on the behaviours and risk patterns of gay and bisexual men and men who have sex with men and women. This workshop focuses on the need to address the behaviours and risk patterns of heterosexual men and their role in HIV transmission. The workshop will focus on traditional belief systems regarding men's sexual activity, men's perceptions on healthy sexuality, ethno-cultural implications on sexual behaviour, attitudes and beliefs toward HIV and who is at risk, attitudes toward reproductive responsibility. And the impact on HIV infection in women, harm reduction methods aimed at reducing risk within existing belief systems and behavioural patterns. Dates: June 1, 1 - 4:40 p.m., October 11, 1 - 4:30 p.m., and February 21, 2001 1 - 4:30 p.m.

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- Aboriginal People and HIV • Substance Abuse and HIV • A Wellness Based Approach to HIV
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# First Making Waves Swim Meet

Making Waves, Edmonton's swim club for the gay, lesbian and bisexual community, and their friends, recently hosted its 1st annual Family Day Sprint Meet at the Bonnie Doon Leisure Centre on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

Swimmers representing the Different Strokes swim club of Calgary and the Orcas swim club

of Seattle, as well as members of the host club, participated in 19 swimming events. These included short, 25 m individual races that were meant to attract the participation of recreational, or novice swimmers, individual and team medley relay events, and two fun relays, the "drag" relay and the "chiller" relay. The "drag" relay showed that people can indeed maneuver through the water, partially-clothed, in attire that they could be arrested in by the fashion

police! The "chiller" relay affirmed to everyone why swimming with (or near) a block of ice might have been harmful to

atmosphere in which each member may, at his or her option, participate. To this end, Making Waves accommodates beginner,



the passengers of the Titanic!

The swim meet was followed up by an awards ceremony and door prize draw at Secret's Bar & Grill, and brunch the next day at the Sidetrack Café. Bonnie Doon lifeguard Candace served as event announcer during the meet, and as the draw-master of the door prizes at Secret's. Councillor Michael Phair, representing the City of Edmonton, handed out certificates and awards to our visiting participants.

The weekend's events could not have been as successful as they were without the efforts of our volunteer starters, timers and corporate and private sponsors. In particular, we would like to thank Mr. Nickel for volunteering as meet starter, Mrs. Lebuke for organizing event officials, and Karen H and her collection of power tools for creating the magnificent trophies that were presented.

Making Waves is a not-for-profit swim club that practices the master's swimming philosophy of "Fun Fitness Friendship & Participation" in a gay positive and supportive environment. We attempt to provide a recreational, competitive and socially active

recreational, and competitive swimmers. Coaching is offered at all levels to assist with technique and fitness development, and each participant is encouraged to swim at their own pace and comfort level.

Club practices are held every Thursday (8:30 to 9:30 pm) and Sunday (8:00 to 9:30 pm) at the Bonnie Doon Leisure Centre (8648 81<sup>st</sup> Street). Sunday swims include three coaches and two lanes dedicated to recreational swimming and stroke development. After each swim, we meet at the Second Cup on Whyte Avenue (one of our sponsors) to cool down with some hot drinks and lively conversation.

Everyone's first swim is free. There, you'll get an information and registration packet that will fill you in on all the details. For more information about Making Waves Swim Club, check out our web page at [http://www.geocities.com/makingwaves\\_edm/home.htm](http://www.geocities.com/makingwaves_edm/home.htm), or email us at [makingwaves\\_edm@yahoo.com](mailto:makingwaves_edm@yahoo.com). Come on out and see why Making Waves is one team that lives up to its name!

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**Aries** March  
21 - April 19  
Late ly  
everything  
seems quiet in  
your life

because you are not willing to talk about your true feelings. Call it the quiet before the storm. Soon you will have more energy and resume many of the activities you used to enjoy.



**Taurus** April  
20 - May 20  
Confusion  
surrounding  
a lover will  
continue even

though it feels it has been going on long enough. There are also opportunities for improving your situation at work. Maintaining a positive outlook will help you to see these opportunities.



**Gemini** May  
21 - June 21  
Your ability to  
find fulfilment  
gets stronger

all the time. Confusion, mystique, uncertainty seems to surround your intimate relationship(s) at this time. There is one person in your life that will have a strong influence on you. It could be an opportunity for growth if you choose it to be.



**Cancer**  
You will be  
working a lot  
and the stress  
will be great.

There is the opportunity to find something you enjoy about the situation. This could also be a blessing in disguise. If you handle work

well, you could be promoted. Be careful not to take on more responsibility without the title.



**Leo**  
Don't try to  
make waves at  
work, as it will  
not work to

your advantage. Instead, try to balance work with social. The urge to take a trip is still strong.



**Virgo**  
Emotions run  
high -  
meaning your  
communication

is very emotional. Did the relationship predicted not turn out the way you expected? It became more of a lesson than pleasure. Right now, all of your relationships are unpredictable.



**Libra**  
September  
23 - October  
23

The turmoil and confusion you are feeling right now is temporary. You may even be thinking of moving - possibly to escape? This would be a mistake. Relax and don't be so hard on yourself.



**Scorpio**  
October 24 -  
November 22  
Be careful with  
what you say as

you may be too blunt for some people. You have not slowed down in the socializing department. You will probably meet someone special through a friend.

**Sagittarius** November 23 -  
December 21



**Capricorn**  
Tension at  
work causes  
you to lose  
some of your  
sparkle.

Fortunately, you are not the type to put up with a stressful situation for long. Follow up on connections that you make right now. It could lead to something new.



**Aquarius**  
December 22  
- January 19  
You enjoy  
spending  
more time at

home right now. Many of your activities are surrounding or occur at home. The tension you were experiencing last month seems to be less at this time.



**Pisces**  
January  
20 -  
February  
18

Communication in many forms is highlighted. More dinner parties, certainly many enjoyable activities at home and talking or socializing are emphasized at this time. Be careful not to take what is said too seriously or personally.



**Pisces**  
February 19 -  
March 20  
Money,  
money,

money - there is certainly enough of it to go around! Setting priorities and making decisions about how you are going to handle your money is important. Save some if you can. Your partner will expect you to share the wealth.

Suzanne Clark

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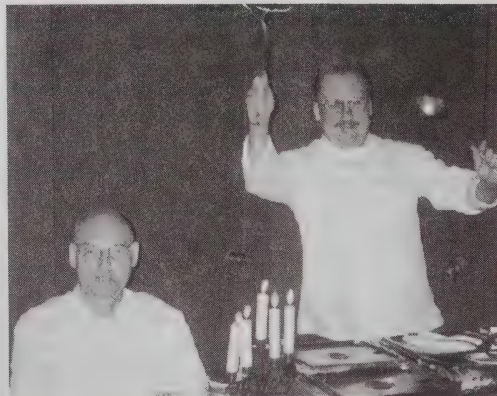
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# You and Your Funny Bone..:)

## Hallelujah?

A drunk stumbles along a baptismal service on Sunday afternoon down by the river. He proceeds to walk down into the water and stand next to the Preacher. The minister turns and notices the old drunk and says, "Mister, Are you ready to find Jesus?" The drunk looks back and says, "Yess, Preacher..I sure am." The minister then dunks the fellow under the water and pulls him right back up. "Have you found Jesus?" the preacher asked. "Nooo, I didn't!" said the drunk.

The preacher then dunks him under for quite a bit longer, brings him up and says, "Now, brother, have you found Jesus?" "Noooo, I did not Reverend."

The preacher in disgust holds the man under for at least 30 seconds this time, brings him out of the water and says in a harsh tone, "My Good man, have you found Jesus yet?"

The ole drunk wipes his eyes and says to the preacher, "Are you sure this is where he fell in?"

## Time is relative

On some air bases, the Air Force is on one side of the field and civilian aircraft use the other side of the field, with the control tower in the middle. One day on just such a field the tower received a call from an aircraft asking, "What time is it?"

The tower responded, "Who is calling?"

The aircraft replied, "What difference does it make?"

The tower replied "It makes a lot of difference. If it is an American Airlines Flight, it is 3 o'clock. If it is an Air Force, it is 1500 hours. If it is a Navy aircraft, it is 6 bells. If it is an Army aircraft, the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 3. If it is a

Marine Corps aircraft, it's Thursday afternoon. If it's National Guard, it's still a couple of hours until quitting time."

## Hair Cut

A priest went into an Ottawa barbershop and got his hair cut. He then asked how much he owed the barber. "No charge, Father," the barber said. "I consider it a service to the Lord." When the barber arrived at his shop the next morning, he found a dozen small prayer booklets on the stoop along with a thank you note from the priest.

A few days later, a police officer came in. "How much do I owe you?" the cop asked after his haircut. "No charge, officer," the barber answered. "I consider it a service to my community." The next morning the barber found a dozen doughnuts on the stoop along with a thank you note from the police officer.

A few days after that, a Federal Civil Servant walked in for a haircut. "How much do I owe you?" he asked afterward. "No charge," the barber replied. "I consider it a service to my country." The next morning when he arrived at the shop, the barber found a dozen Federal Civil Servants waiting on the step.

## 1 Meal and an Extra Cup

A young man saw an elderly couple, sitting down to lunch at a local restaurant. He noticed that they had ordered one meal, and an extra drink cup. As he watched, the gentleman carefully divided the hamburger in half, then counted out the fries, one for him, one for her, until each had half of them.

Then he poured half of the soft drink into the extra cup and set that in front of his wife. The old man then began to eat, and his wife sat watching, with her hands folded in her lap. The young man

decided to ask if they would allow him to purchase another meal for them so that they didn't have to split theirs.

The old gentleman said, "Oh, no. We've been married 50 years, and everything has always been and will always be shared, 50/50." The young man then asked the wife if she was going to eat, and she replied, "Not yet. It's his turn with the teeth."

## I'm With You, Preacher

Every Sunday Ol' Jeb would go to sleep half way through the sermon, sometimes to the point of snoring. The Preacher decided to have some fun with Jeb, so the following Sunday, he began his sermon as usual. Soon he noticed Jeb was drifting off to sleep, so he began to talk softly. "Now friends", he said to the congregation, "I'm sure that each one of you here is a God-fearing Christian, and wants to go to heaven", and the congregation all nodded agreement. The Preacher continued softly "Well, if there's anyone here that doesn't want to go to heaven, and wants to go to Hell, then..." and the preacher takes a deep breath and shouts "STAND UP!" Well, Jeb is startled awake with the shouting and instantly jumps to his feet! The Preacher looks over his pulpit at Jeb and asks "Jeb, are you really sure you want to be standing up?" Jeb looks around and replies, "Well, Preacher, you're the only other one a-standin', but I'm with you all the way!"

## Cooking

Two gay men sat talking, their conversation drifted from politics to cooking.

"I got a cookbook once," said one, "but I could never do anything with it." "Too much fancy work in it, eh?" asked the other. "You said it. Every one of the recipes began the same way - 'Take a clean dish.'"



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## Baby Chickens

A city slicker moves to the country and decides he's going to take up farming. He heads to the local co-op and tells the man, "Give me 100 baby chickens." The co-op man complies. A week later the man returns and says, "Give me 200 baby chickens."

The co-op man complies. Again, a week later the man returns. This time he says, "Give me 500 baby chickens." "Wow!" the co-op man replies, "You must really be doing well!" "Naw," said the man with a sigh, "I'm either planting them too deep or too far apart!"

## Fishing...

A game warden noticed how a particular fellow named Sam consistently caught more fish than anyone else, whereas the other guys would only catch three or four a day. Sam would come in off the lake with a boat full. Stringer after stringer was always packed with freshly caught trout. The warden, curious, asked Sam his secret. The successful fisherman invited the game warden to accompany him and observe. So the next morning the two met at the dock

and took off in Sam's boat. When they got to the middle of the lake, Sam stopped the boat, and the warden sat back to see how it was done.

Sam's approach was simple. He took out a stick of dynamite, lit it, and threw it in the air. The explosion rocked the lake with such a force that dead fish immediately began to surface. Sam took out a net and started scooping them up.

Well, you can imagine the reaction of the game warden. When he recovered from the shock of it all, he began yelling at Sam. "You can't do this! I'll put you in jail, buddy! You will be paying every fine there is in the book!" Sam, meanwhile, set his net down and took out another stick of dynamite. He lit it and tossed it in the lap of the game warden with these words, "Are you going to sit there all day complaining, or are you going to fish?"

## Lipstick

According to a radio report, a middle school in Oregon was faced with a unique problem. A number of girls were beginning to use lipstick and would put it on in the bathroom. That was fine, but after they put on their lipstick they would press their lips to the mirror leaving dozens of little lip prints. Finally the principal decided that something had to be done. She called all the girls to the bathroom and met them there with the maintenance man. She explained that all these lip prints were causing a major problem for the custodian who had to clean the mirrors every night. To demonstrate how difficult it was to clean the mirrors, she asked the maintenance guy to clean one of the mirrors. He took out a long-handled squeegee, dipped it into the toilet and then cleaned the mirror. Since then there have been no lip prints on the mirror.

## Breaking "in" Is Hard To Do!

An airline captain was breaking in a very pretty new blonde stewardess. The route they were flying had a stay-over in

another city. Upon their arrival the captain showed the stewardess the best place for airline personnel to eat, shop and stay overnight.

The next morning as the pilot was preparing the crew for the day's route, he noticed the new stewardess was missing. He knew which room she was in at the hotel and called her up wondering what happened to her. She answered the phone, crying, and said she couldn't get out of her room. "You can't get out of your room?" the captain asked. "Why not?" The stewardess replied, "There are only three doors in here," she sobbed, "one is the bathroom, one is the closet, and one has a sign on it that says 'Do Not Disturb'!"

## A Fairy in the Garden

Little Lucy was playing in the garden when she spotted two spiders mating. "Daddy, what are those two spiders doing?" "They're mating, Lucy" he replied. "What do you call the spider on top, Daddy?" Lucy asked. "Oh, that's a Daddy Longlegs," Lucy asked, "Oh, so one's a Daddy Longlegs and the other one is a Mommy Longlegs?" Daddy replied, "No, both of them are Daddy Longlegs." Lucy thought for a moment, then took her foot and stamped them flat. "Well, we're not having THAT sort of thing in our garden!"

## Dear God

So far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, I haven't lost my temper, I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish or overindulgent. I'm very thankful for that. But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on I'm going to need a lot more help.

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# Becoming Ourselves

## Kids At Heart



By Shawn Mooney

Some childhood experiences shape the brightest bits of selfhood; some kill off the glow. I've just finished reading a childhood memoir that probes the inextricable link between pain and enchantment: gay writer Mark Doty's *Firebird*, a heart-rending look back at his bookish, sissy boyhood in a fucked-up family in the 50s and 60s.

Much autobiographical story-telling suffers from the teller's desire to be terminally unique. But there is a way to conceive and tell our stories that narrows the divide between I and Thou. *Firebird* is just such a narrative of healing and sorrow and glee that gestures towards soul-Doty's, yours and mine: a compassion-soaked journey of the heart.

Doty remembers two central experiences: one of queer exuberance, another of extreme homophobia. His

grade four English teacher invites him to dance one day in class to Stravinsky's *Suite From The Firebird*—the mythic story of the phoenix rising from its own ashes. Dancing, he transforms into "who he always was, beneath the scorch and the ashes, beneath the ordinary ugly body in which he has been disguised, under the shame he's worn like a cloak, under the misunderstandings and the knowledge that he can't be who they want, that they do not want who he is."

In a life already troubled by self-awareness of his difference from other boys, in this glorious instance Doty dances his aliveness, uninhibited by his classmates' reaction. Moments of unconscious exhilaration are all too rare in queer childhood; remembering and celebrating them is vital.

The other memory, from Doty's adolescence: a harrowing scene of violence his alcoholic mother nearly perpetrates, foreshadowed by her discovery of her son lip-syncing a Judy Garland tune. Most of us have been spared such vicious enactments of homophobia within our immediate families, and it is a chilling part of Doty's story, the details of which I shall not elaborate. (Read this book!)

Mark Doty has not only survived but gone on to alchemize the enchantments and wounds of his boyhood into a lifetime of creativity. (Read his poetry, read his memoir about the death of his lover, *Heaven's Coast*.)

The epigraph to his memoir is a quote from someone named von Hoffmannthal: "Where is your Self to be found? Always in the deepest enchantment that you have experienced." Indeed, exploring the world of childhood opens up unresolved pain and unfinished business; but remembering can also tap into the soul's regenerative core.

As with any good life writing, *Firebird* beckons readers to reflect back on our own experience, those early moments of recognition, alienation, confusion and exhilaration. I am coming to appreciate, like James Hillman says in *The Soul's Code*, that such memories contain acorns out of which the tree of my adult life has grown. Nothing revitalizes stagnant adulthood like reconnecting with the passionate curiosities of youth.

The beauty of growing up, as Doty's story makes clear, is that we can now consciously draw on the inner enchantments to heal

the inner pain. The potent energies of childhood experience—woundedness and vitality—can arc into a circularity of aliveness that is both vulnerable and exuberant. In telling our core stories, we gain an empowering perspective on life as we're living it today. As Doty puts it: "We live the stories we tell; the stories we don't tell live us."

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# Rapid HIV Screening Kits Raise Important Legal and Ethical Questions

Health Canada has issued a license on 15th March 2000 to BioChem ImmunoSystems Inc. to sell a rapid HIV screening test kit that provides a result in

15 minutes. Health-care professionals at the point of care have licensed this kit for use.

In a 145-page report released today, the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network warns that provincial and territorial governments must now exercise their regulatory authority. They must ensure that the rapid HIV test kit is only available in those settings and under those conditions in which their benefits will be most likely realized and the potential misuses prevented.

"The licensing of rapid HIV tests for point-of-care use raises important legal and ethical questions that must be addressed," says Dr. Ralf Jürgens, a lawyer and

executive director of the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, and co-author of the report. "Our policies and practices regarding HIV testing should be driven not by the technology, but by a careful consideration of risks and benefits, informed by solid research."

Health Canada classifies medical devices based on their riskiness. Rapid HIV tests are a Class IV device, the highest risk category under the Medical Devices Regulations. Jürgens points out: "This is the first time a device in this category has been licensed in Canada for use outside a laboratory. We must prevent potential misuses."

Richard Elliott, Director of Policy & Research of the Legal Network and the other co-author of the report, explains: Currently in Canada, the standard procedure for HIV testing involves a trained health-care worker drawing a blood sample from the person getting tested in a clinical setting, usually a physician's office or a testing clinic. The blood is then tested in a clinical laboratory to detect the presence of HIV-specific antibodies using a screening test. A negative result is reported if the screening test is non-reactive. Any blood sample that tests positive, however, undergoes a second, confirmatory test and the result given to the health-care provider who ordered the test is always a confirmed one. Typically one to two weeks elapse before results are available because blood samples are generally tested in groups to decrease costs,

and because time is needed to complete confirmatory testing. Every person getting tested, whether the test is positive or negative, must return to the testing site for a second visit to learn their results from the provider and to receive post-test counseling tailored to his or her results.

In contrast, Elliott explains, the new rapid test can be done on-site. A result is available within 15 or 30 minutes after the blood sample is taken. The test is as good as the first screening test currently used in approved laboratories, ensuring a reliable negative test. For those testing negative, this permits the health-care professional to complete the HIV testing and counseling at a single visit. However, as with any screening test, the rapid test is hypersensitive and will yield a significant proportion of false positive results. All positive results and all results that are equivocal must be confirmed, requiring that a blood sample be sent to an approved HIV testing laboratory, where it will undergo confirmatory testing.

Until now, in order to minimize the reporting of false-positive results, no positive result was given to the person being tested until confirmatory testing was undertaken, says Elliott. This may now change. But what are the implications of telling patients their screening results when a significant number of false positive results will occur? asks Jürgens. Imagine a person receiving a positive screening result without having understood that a screening

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# Questions on Rapid Testing

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test is only a screening test, that the result may be a false-positive result, and that it is imperative that the person come back to receive a confirmed result, which could well be negative. Because of the need to ensure that all people who receive a positive screening result have received best-practice counseling, only health-care professionals who have undergone a training program, including on how to provide counseling in the context of rapid HIV screening tests, should be allowed to use such tests. And rapid HIV screening should be accompanied by accelerated access to confirmed test results.

The Legal Network report points out that one of the potential advantages of rapid HIV screening is that, since the technology is simple, access to HIV screening could be improved in more remote areas. But quality control concerns must also be addressed if testing is to be done outside the laboratory. "Manufacturers and governments must take measures to ensure that rapid test kits used at the point of care are performing properly, are administered properly, and are interpreted accurately," says Jürgens.

Rapid HIV screening tests might also assist HIV

prevention efforts in limited circumstances. Pregnant women of unknown HIV status who are in labour could undergo rapid screening; those screening positive could initiate preventive measures to reduce the risk of mother-to-child transmission. Rapid screening could also provide more information for decisions about post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) following exposures such as needle-stick injuries.

But Jürgens notes that the issue of HIV testing during labour is contentious, and reiterates that any testing for HIV must always be done with consent. "HIV testing without consent is unethical, illegal and professional misconduct. Rapid screening kits do not change the requirement for specific, informed consent to HIV testing. Colleges and associations of health care professionals need to adopt or update regulations and/or policies to this effect."

Says Jürgens: "The introduction of rapid HIV testing must not lead to abandoning the requirement that HIV testing is only done with the informed consent of the person being tested, with quality pre-test and post-test counselling, and with the confidentiality of test results guaranteed. Rather, Canada must re-commit to quality HIV testing and counselling."

In total, the report by the

Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network contains 23 recommendations, directed to federal and provincial/territorial policymakers, health-care professionals, professional associations and regulatory bodies of health-care professionals, and those providing HIV testing and counseling and working in the field of public health. The report follows a 300-page report released by the Legal Network in 1998 (HIV Testing and Confidentiality: Final Report), which established the Network as an international leader in the analysis of legal and ethical issues raised by HIV testing. And was produced with

funding from Health Canada under the Canadian Strategy on HIV/AIDS.

The Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network is a non-profit organization engaged in education, legal and ethical analysis, and policy development regarding HIV/AIDS, with a mandate to promote responses to HIV/AIDS that respect the rights of people with HIV/AIDS. The Network is based in Montréal.

Rapid HIV Screening at the Point of Care: Legal and Ethical Questions is available on the Legal Network's Website: <http://www.aidslaw.ca>

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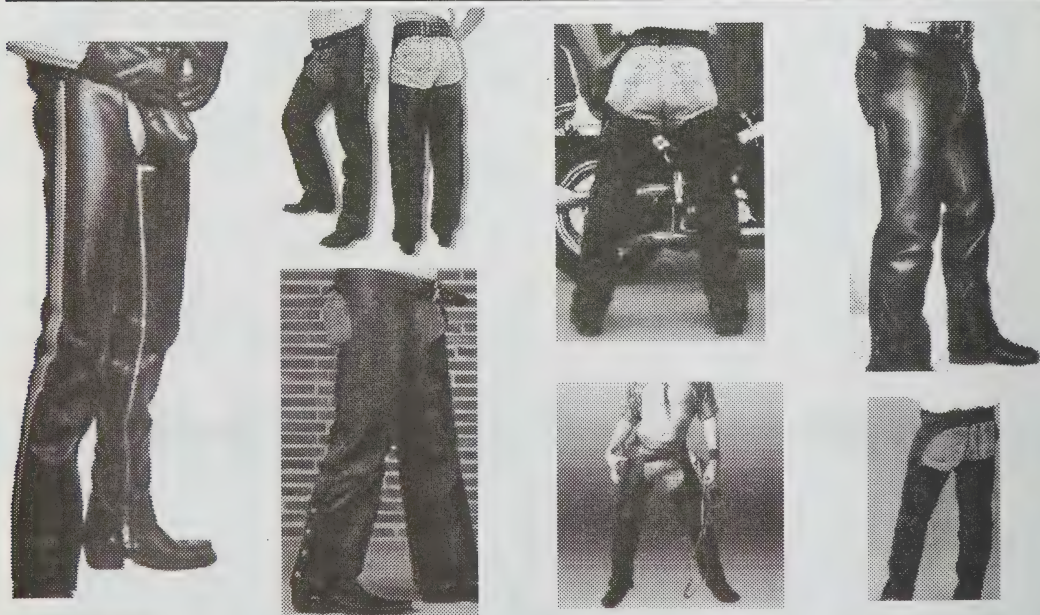


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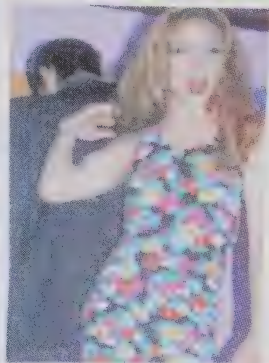
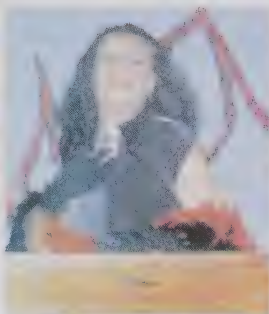
# Out on the Town

## Having Fun

This collection of pictures, some really great, and others (we think the photographer might have been having *too much fun* at Buddy's).

The Bally's Babes of Broadway (Production Show), was a smash hit. Netta (Gene) was the director of the show that took almost 5 months of rehearsals.

Included on this page are some pictures from Eden Outt's show.



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### Flying High (radio edit)

by DC-10 / Finland

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by SKR Team

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### Your Love Is Killing Me

by Sherreece

She has a terrific voice and sings several varieties of music.

### Dolmen Ridge

by Gnomusy

The music is haunting.

### Drinking from my soul

by Garden of Dreams

Kind of a spooky piece of ambient.

### Remind ME Of Infinity

by Bumbi

This young man is creating some new sounds of his own.

### Dream of June

by Raymond Wave

Looking forward to those warmer days of June.

### You are my heart

by JMF Project

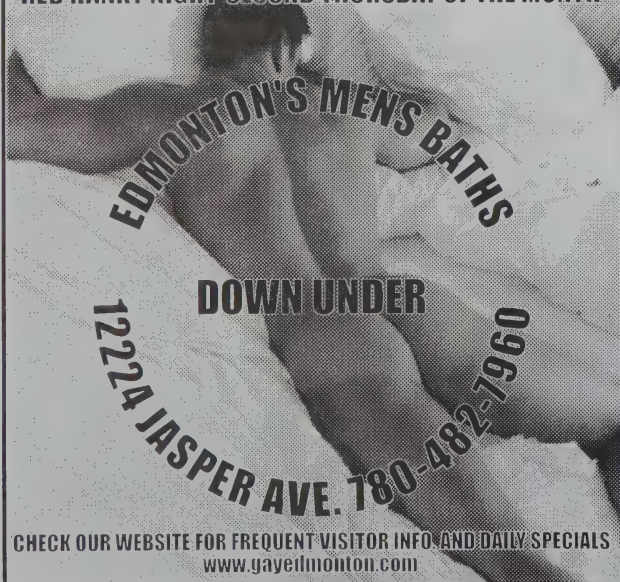
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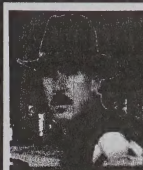
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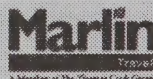
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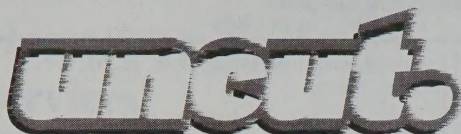
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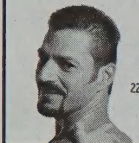
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Box 1613: I'm 20, a gay white male, straight acting and looking, 5'11", 170lb, looking for people to chat with, meet up. Enjoy everything from quiet times, listening to music, all varieties. Like going out, being active, coffee, nothing unusual. Not really interested in the bars that much.

Box 1678: I'm Richard, 20, 6'3", 140lb, tall, slender, looking for someone to become friends with or something more. If you are the type of person who likes to treat people with respect, and you're lovely, caring, and gives that great... we would get to know each other and have a blast. I love horses, downhill skiing, dance music, dancing, singing to Madonna who is my favourite singer, and feminism.

Box 1695: I'm 23, a big guy, short red hair, hazel green eyes, light moustache, goatee, left ear is pierced, 5'7", 130lb, slim to average build, attractive, great personality, great sense of humour, fairly outgoing. I'm looking for guys around my own age, primarily just looking to meet some people and make some new friends. I'm not really looking for a relationship, but hey, if it happens, I happen.

Box 1398: This white guy male, 20, is looking for a guy around my age to start up a friendship or possibly more. I like hanging out, playing cards with my friends, going to see movies, doing lots of fun stuff, like camping. Not into the bar scene as much as I used to be. I still like going back once in awhile.

## long term relationships

Box 1425: I'm Kevin, 5'9", 20, 185lb, short brown hair with sideburns, light green eyes, nice guy, sunny, smart, looking for guys that are the same - guys that are taller, bigger. I'm looking for guys that are decent, nice, real. I guess we are all looking for somebody, and I'm going to find him.

Box 1549: I'm 32, 5'4", 135lb, generally happy, seeking quality males for friendship, with the possibility of developing into something special. Age is not important, but I do feel you must be honest and sincere. My interests include a wide variety of music; theatre, movies, going out to dinner, and sometimes I just like hanging out with my friends over coffee. I also enjoy quiet times at home, and just relaxing. I like the outdoors, going for walks, and enjoying the nature. I am employed, financially secure, have a good head on my shoulders, I know what I want in life and the direction I'm heading. I do feel I'm very mature for my age, but I'm very young at heart.

Box 1680: I'm 24, 5'8", 150lb, short brown hair, blue eyes, short goatee. What I'm looking at is meeting other guys who are around my age.

Box 2328: Myself, I have a wide variety of interests. Music is a big part of my life. Listening to any kind of music, playing music. I love to act. I have a really wacky sense of humor, and I like to talk, have a really good time, enjoy life. Looking for the same in somebody else.

Box 1757: I'm 21, 6', 150lb, short dark hair, brown eyes, bit of a goatee, good shape. Just looking for a guy close to my

age, to talk to. Let's see where it goes from there. I like going out to the bar and having fun with my friends. I do smoke and drink, don't do drugs.

Box 1817: Attractive, 23, 5'10", light brown hair, blue eyes, 190lb, hard body. Looking for somebody, 20-30, to spend time with, get to know, possibly something longterm.

## casual encounters

Box 1428: Looking for other guys who want to hook up, strip down, and get into some hot, sweaty man-to-man action. I'm 27, 6'1", brown hair, blue eyes, 190lb, 8" uncirc, and I'm pretty much open to trying anything, anywhere around the house.

Box 1509: I'm Shawn and I live in the Le Duc area. I am brown hair, brown eyes, 5'9", 140lb. I really don't know what to say on these ads. I just want to be with a man who's inexperienced, who loves doing anything, anywhere around the house.

Box 1553: I'm a young 40, calling from the Fort St. John/Dawson Creek area. I'm 6', 230lb, shoulder-length blond hair, pretty blue eyes. There's not much of a guy lifestyle up here. I'm very frustrated. I've got to say, I'm very horny. I'm interested in gay or bisexual men in this area, or nearby, for casual encounters, or just to meet new friends. I am attracted to older, heavier guys, but I'd love to hear from just about anybody. I'm basically a bottom, but I'm very, very versatile. I'm very much into oral, touching, holding, and I'm a very affectionate, loving, young man.

Box 1601: Bit male, smooth hairless body. I like to service and please my partner. I ask nothing in return. I'd really like to service two or more guys during the same time, or one night after another.

Box 1620: I'm 6', 180lb, shoulder-length brown hair, green eyes, nice-sized cock. Just looking for another guy to get together with my girlfriend and I, to have some good times.

Box 1629: I'm new to the Edmonton area, straight acting and looking, 6'5", 230lb, short brown hair, hairy chest, 7-8" long out, very thick. I'm a definite from the best bottom a couple times, but I don't like it. I love going out. I know how to deep-throat very nicely, never had a complaint. Biggest one I deep-throated was 13". Prefer guys between 5-6', 18-25, prefer out. You want to get orally satisfied.

Box 1643: I'm a country male, 39, very good-looking, masculine. I work out and am in good shape. Looking for guys 25-

40, in good shape. I'm into anything. I'm a hot cowboy. I like dressing up in Western, and just like having a great time. My purpose would be to have a nice big, Black guy to entertain. I'm very versatile and I enjoy meeting people.

Box 1654: 37, 8", and very thick, hairy chest, moustache, very masculine, muscular, 6', 180lb, looking for some white males, or especially if you're Oriental or Asian. You're in university, college or high school. Must be over 18, well-toned, small waist, smooth-chested. You like to show off wearing a pair of bikini underwear, Calvin Kleins or boxer shorts. You've got a hot-looking ass.

Box 1659: I'm back relaxed. I'd like a nice, butch guy to work my ass, kick and suck this cock. I'm downtown.

Box 1668: I'm 19, good-looking, slim, brown hair, brown eyes, 145lb.

Box 1716: I'm 34, straight acting, bit male. I live in the Bonaville area, and I'm basically trying to hook up with people in the area. I'm in good physical shape, attractive.

Box 1768: I'm a French-Canadian, 135lb, 34" waist, 5'10", in good shape. I'm new to the city, and am looking for someone in shape.

Box 1774: I'm a young male, 22. I'm looking to meet other men for very discreet encounters. I am married, and wish to stay that way.

Box 1783: I'm a hot, younger guy. You're interested in bears, slaves, nice bodies. We can have fun if you're clean and healthy. Like me.

Box 1803: Submissive little bottom boy here, looking for a hairy top. I prefer guys with 8" or more. Have the time and the place. Let's get together. Let's do it.

Box 1828: My name is Mike. I'm looking for a young male, 18-24, who would like to get together for some fun and good times, with a gentle, caring male, who's very oral, very open. Interested in oils and massage, movies, just kidding back, and having fun.

## leather & SM

Box 1565: Looking for an experienced, perceptive top, who's looking for a very open-minded, discreet, safe, very uninhibited bottom. You're looking for someone who's more into DMS, then SM, and want to play.

Box 1571: I'm 22 from Whitecourt. I'm looking for some quiet and discreet encounters in Whitecourt. Can travel.

Box 1596: I'm 22, good-looking, athletic, versatile, love leather. Looking for an open-minded older guy, who's into leather, toys and latex.

Box 1600: Bit male, 6', smooth, hairless body. I am very submissive. I've never had a dominant male before, and I'd like to try

it. I'd like to have somebody dominate me and train me. I like to please my partner and service them.

Box 1605: Just looking to talk to someone. I'm kind of in this category, cause I'm into leather, wearing leather chairs, boots, got chaps and that sort of thing, ripped jeans. You're into any kind of neat wear that you like to put on, and go out in public with. We can just hang out and have a good time together.

Box 1685: Submissive white male, 32, 5'4", 140lb, looking for aggressive top men, who are into ass-stretching, lifting, large dildos, punch-lucking.

Box 1703: I'm 31, 5'11", 180lb, 7" out. Into the leading of tight clothing. I love the feel of latex and spandex around my body. Looking for somebody who's experienced and can teach me a few things, seeing as I'm new at this. Or somebody who's inexperienced, and we can learn and play together.

## bears, big men & their admirers

Box 1449: I'd like to meet a masculine, dominant male, age doesn't really matter. Looks are important. I'm an attractive build, 6'2", 230lb, husky build.

Box 1702: I'm a mid-30s bear, extremely hairy, 5'10", 220lb, brown hair, blue eyes, and a goatee. I have a 7" out cock, and I like to suck cock, get my cock sucked, I like to rim, I like to get fucked, I like to fuck. I can travel or entertain.

Box 1787: I am 52, bisexual. I'd like to meet men my own age, 40-65. I'll tell you the story about when I first went with a male. But, more recently, I'll talk about my time in Vancouver.

Box 1821: I'm 20, Steve, chubby with stretch marks. Looking for guys to play with, and have experiences with.

## transgender

Box 1572: I'm 22 from Whitecourt, looking for some quiet, discreet, exciting encounters in Whitecourt. Can travel.

Box 1651: I'm 20, 5'10", 150lb, brown hair, blue eyes, smooth chest, 7" uncirc. Looking for transsexual and transvestites to get together with and have some fun.

Box 1657: I'm 25, a crossdresser from Grand Prairie. Looking to meet up with anybody travelling to Grand

Prairie from Edmonton or the outlying areas. Very open-minded, will try anything once.

Box 1775: Interested, open-minded male, 24, searching for transgendered lady, or a very flexible crossdresser. Interested in this lifestyle, willing to play, and maybe to be dressed up as well.

Box 1827: This single white male, 35, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, 155lb, clean-shaven. Looking to meet up with a transgender so that they can dress me up a little. We can play. I'm very curious, very open, very oral, can be passive or submissive.

## bisexuals

Box 1510: I've got my pants down to my ankles. I'm Shawn, 19, 5'9", 140lb, brown hair, brown eyes. Looking for a man to fuck with me, to lick my 5" cock, thick, hairy balls. I like to be the bottom, or the top, doesn't matter, you pick. I'll be happy with it. I want a man to help me have my fantasies come true. I'd do it anywhere in the house, the couch or the bedroom, anywhere you choose I'll be happy. I live in the Le Duc area. I'll be there for any man or men.

Box 1582: I'm 5'8", 160lb, bisexual. I have a 38" chest, 33" waist, nice ass, nice legs, dark brown hair, with a sprinkling of grey throughout. I'm 40, though people think I'm 30-35. Very nice package, a swimmer's build.

Looking for other people to play with. I'm very versatile though I have a preference for bottom. Looking for someone I can play with, and feel comfortable. Very uninhibited, but safe.

Box 1610: My name's Josh, 36, bit. Looking for other bi guys out there. 5'7", 160lb, love to give and receive oral, into phone talk, too. Looking for hard-bodied guys, preferably younger, 22-34. Discretion is assured.

Box 1631: I'm a masculine, attractive bi guy, who's hungry to suck some cock. If you're a bi guy, get a nice sized cock on you, the smoother the better. I would love to get you off no questions asked with nothing in return. Also, wouldn't mind finding a couple, with a lady who wants to watch her man get fucked off by a guy. Can also be a top. Early 30s, smooth body, nice sized cock, very hungry to suck on a nice thick piece of meat.

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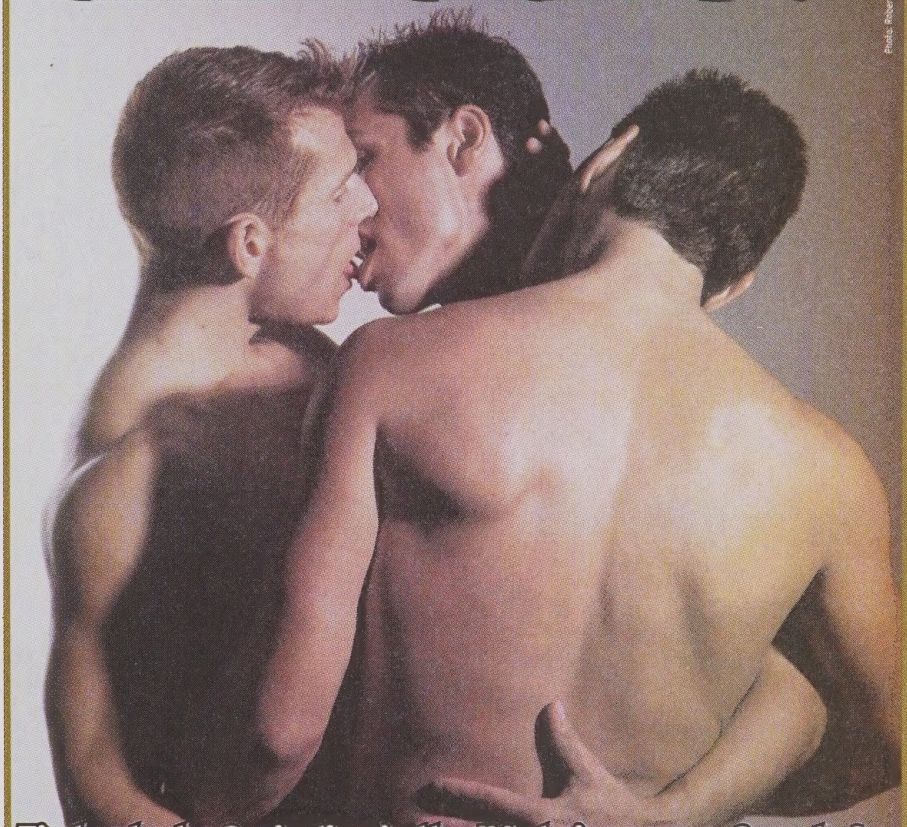
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